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Fire Update

Route & Mad River Complex



Aug. 22, 2015 – 8 a.m.

Fire Information:
707-574-6539 or 707-574-6548

Public Information Officer:
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Headlines

- The Route Complex is 34,543 acres, 35% contained. The Mad River Complex is 32,706 acres, 65% contained.
- Highway 36 is completely open to all traffic.
- Residents in the Forest Glen area are now under an evacuation advisory, and all evacuation orders for residents at the end of Kerlin Creek Road and St. Johns Road were lifted.
- The relative humidity last night was higher than forecasted, so the fire was not as active as predicted.
- Today winds will be from the southeast, assisting firefighters in their efforts to limit the spread of the Lassic and Johnson Fires to the south.
- Winds should be light today, causing the smoke inversion to linger over the fire area today.

Lassic Fire (13,442 acres, 24 percent contained) Last night crews contained and thoroughly mopped up a spot fire south of the main fire, allowing today's crews to continue constructing fireline and conducting defensive burning operations. Night crews completed burning operations between the fire's east side and the residences in the Rutledge area. Day crews will mop up that burning operation. More firefighters, including an initial attack crew, will work on the north side of the fire to monitor possible fire-behavior changes resulting from the wind shift.

Johnson Fire (32,874 acres, 29 percent contained) Yesterday crews hauled out thousands of feet of fire hose from the contained east side of the fire near Hyampom. The fire was not very active last night, allowing crews to make significant progress mopping up and preparing the fireline for defensive burning operations. Today firefighters will continue building direct line on the west side of the fire where it is accessible and safe. Excavator and dozer operators are working with resource advisors for suppression-repair of areas affected by fire activity.

Pickett Fire (10,985 acres, 78 percent contained) and **Gobbler Fire** (8,279 acres, 100 percent contained) Highway 36 is open, but firefighters continue to patrol areas where the fire reached the highway. Please slow down and drive carefully through the fire area. Crews are hauling out fire hose and equipment as mop up is completed. They are also starting suppression repair for watershed protection in the Ruth Lake area.

Buck Fire (1,669 acres, 100% contained)

Road Closures

- Forest Route 1: closed five miles north of Highway 36 at Forest Road (FR) 2N12 north to FR 4N18.

Evacuations

- Mandatory evacuation: residents along FR 1S14, which is west of the Van Duzen Road off FR 1S07.
- Voluntary evacuation: Swayback Ridge area, Winton Flat, Waldorf Flat, Grel Ranch, and Oak Flat.
- Advisory evacuation: residents in the Forest Glen area.

Portions of the Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests are closed to public use due to fire activity. Go to the individual forest websites for details.

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