Dolan Fire

Update - September 10, 2020

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Fire Information: 831-272-0222 Email: 2020.Dolan@firenet.gov

Media Information: 831-272-0221 Inciweb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7018

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/lospadresnationalforest

Size: 111,382 acres Containment: 26% Personnel: 793 Start Date: August 18, 2020 Cause: Under Investigation Structures Damaged: 4 Structures Destroyed: 14

Live Virtual Community Meeting Los Padres NF Facebook Page 2PM TODAY

YESTERDAY'S ACTIVITIES: The Dolan Fire is now under Unified Command with Fort Hunter-Liggett. Heavy smoke from fires in Oregon, Washington and California mixed with the marine layer allowed firefighters to engage in burnout operations which primarily contributed to yesterday's perimeter growth. Burnouts were done along the Nacimiento-Ferguson and Del Venturi Roads and around Fort Hunter-Liggett which were supported by aircraft retardant and water drops. Northern fire lines were tested by Southern winds and held.

Fire activity was minimal overnight due to cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity levels. Two of the firefighters involved in the shelter deployment have been released from the hospital and the third is in stable condition and will be released this week.

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES: On the north side crews will scout for opportunities to secure the fire's edge down to the North Coast Road. Along the south edge firefighters will continue burnout operations utilizing dozer lines and air support to connect line protecting Prewitt Ridge. Crews will secure structures in Mill Creek and work from Kern Ridge down to Highway 1. Firefighters will clean up and secure the edge around recent firing operations near Hermitage to protect structures and will continue constructing indirect line east of Arroyo Seco and tie back to Lees Canyon to Fort Hunter-Liggett.

Since the beginning of the fire 4 structures have been damaged and 14 destroyed. Damage is assessed daily and crews continue to prioritize structure protection in all communities.

EVACUATIONS: The Monterey County Sheriff's has Mandatory evacuation orders in Zone B (Lucia), Zone K (S. Coast Ridge Road), Zone L (Corda), Zone J (Prewitt Ridge), Zone 24, Zone 26, and Zone 27. Evacuation Warning in effect in Zone A (Partington), Zone M (Salmon Cr.), and Zones 31, 30, 29, 25, and 14 A (West). For current evacuation information view the OES <u>interactive map</u>. SCPA Monterey County can assist with rescuing, sheltering, and evacuating animals. Call 831-373-2631 – day; 831-264-5455 – night; <u>www.spcamc.org</u>.

ROAD CLOSURES: HWY 1 is closed from north of Vista Point south to Pacific Valley. Nacimiento-Ferguson Rd is closed to all traffic from Highway 1 to the Fort Hunter-Liggett base boundary line. Los Burros Road, Plaskett Ridge Road, South Coast Ridge Road are closed except to residents. Visit https://roads.dot.ca.gov/

FOREST CLOSURE: Forest Order Number 05-07-51-20-20 remains in effect on the Forest in the vicinity of the fire.

WEATHER: Light winds out of the south are predicted fire with cooler temperatures. Marine layer will moderate fire behavior below 1400ft. Inland could see slightly temperatures and fire activity will be dependent on smoke coverage.

SAFETY: Drones should not be flown when an active fire is present. Drones can impede aircraft operations. When you fly, we can't! Firefighters are still actively using HWY 1 as a major access point to the fire. Falling rocks and debris continues to be a hazard. Most notably in the area of MP 35 on HWY 1.