Dolan Fire

Update – September 21, 2020

Rob Allen, Incident Commander



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

Size: 128,416 acres Containment: 46% Personnel: 546 Start Date: August 18, 2020

Cause: Under Investigation Structures Damaged: 4 Structures Destroyed: 19

YESTERDAY'S ACTIVITIES: Fire activity was minimal across the Dolan Fire area yesterday. Firefighters monitored activity around the Arroyo Seco River and helicopters were brought in to cool hot spots in the area and southeast of Junipero Peak.

Crews completed ignitions along Highway 1 to bring fire down to the road and contain that fire edge. Firefighters also continued mopping up along McKern Road.

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES: Fire managers are expecting another day of moderate fire activity with minimal fire growth today. The work of holding and mopping up containment lines continues around the fire and local crews will continue the process of backhauling critical suppression supplies like hoses, pumps and portable tanks, back to the Incident Command Post in King City so they can be used on other wildfire incidents across the west.

There will be a live virtual community meeting on the U.S. Forest Service-Los Padres National Forest Facebook page at 2 pm. today. Questions may be submitted in advance through Facebook or emailed to 2020.dolan@firenet.gov, and fire managers will respond to questions posted real time to the live streamed event as well.

Firefighters will continue to monitor the northeast section of the fire near Arroyo Seco to watch for any increase in fire activity with persistent hot and dry conditions. The east side of the fire is also being held and monitored from Arroyo Seco south to Fort Hunter Liggett. And mop up will continue along McKern Road from Prewitt Ridge to the Nacimiento-Ferguson Road to contain the south end of the fire.

The air resource advisor assigned to the Dolan Fire has been released with the trend of "good" air conditions in recent days so there will no longer be an air quality update issued for the Central Coast of California. To keep up with air quality conditions near you, visit: https://fire.airnow.gov/

Pacific Northwest Team 2 will transfer command of the Dolan Fire to California Incident Management 15, a Type 2 Incident Management Team with Incident Commander James Harris on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

EVACUATIONS: The Monterey County Sheriff's Office has evacuations ORDERS and WARNINGS in effect. For current evacuation information view the OES interactive map or call 211. SPCA Monterey County can assist with rescuing, sheltering, and evacuating animals. Call 831-373-2631 – day; 831-264-5455 – night; www.spcamc.org.

ROAD CLOSURES: HWY 1 is closed between mile post 25 and mile post 10. Nacimiento-Ferguson Rd is closed to all traffic from Highway 1 to the Fort Hunter Liggett base boundary line. For more information visit https://roads.dot.ca.gov/.

REGIONAL FOREST CLOSURES: Regional Order No. 20-10 USDA Forest Service has closed public entry to several national forests including the Los Padres National Forest.

WEATHER: Hot and dry conditions are forecasted for the fire area today with winds out of the northwest.