



MOSQUITO FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

September 26, 2022



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tinyurl.com/MosquitoFire

Size: 76,781 acres Containment: 85% Total Personnel: 1,248 Fire Information: 211 (Local) or 530-264-8309

Media Information: 530-217-3263

Phone Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily

Email: 2022.Mosquito@firenet.gov

Incident Websites:

inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8398

Start Date & Time: Tuesday, 9-6-2022, 6:27 p.m.

Cause: Under Investigation

Location: Mosquito Road at Oxbow Reservoir

Suppression Strategy: Full Suppression

Total Structures Destroyed: 78 **Total Structures Damaged:** 13

CURRENT SITUATION

Yesterday, hot and dry conditions persisted across the Mosquito Fire and as a result, mop up efforts remained a priority with hot spots occasionally popping up within the fire footprint. Resources were prepared and directly engaged in the suppression of the hotspots and creeping fire.

Similar warm and sunny conditions are expected today, and a northerly disturbance will bring cooler temperatures later this week. The cooler temperatures are expected to bring winds; however, containment lines are expected to hold well.

Smoke production will peak during the heat of the day today. No major fire movement is forecasted. Hazard tree mitigation and suppression repair remain priority operations. Due to challenging terrain in the Middle Fork of the American River, and to the south along the Rubicon River, ground resources are unable to access and go direct. Therefore, resources are utilizing aviation assets to hold the fire in its current footprint using retardant and water.

The protection of cultural and natural resources during a fire is a high priority along with returning the affected areas to their pre-fire conditions. Management teams will engage the expertise of natural and cultural Resources Advisors (READs) to assist in preventing fire suppression damage. READs provide guidance for suppression actions as well as rehabilitation through coordination with local specialists: biologists, archaeologists, engineers, and recreation planners. Even long after the fire is suppressed, READs will remain on and work through the rehabilitation efforts with the local and national land management agencies.

A virtual community meeting will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m. on the following websites: tinyurl.com/MosquitoFire or on Facebook @TahoeNF or @eldoradoNF.





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EVACUATIONS — PLACER COUNTY

Placer County Sheriff's Office: tinyurl.com/53rt9d48, Mosquito Fire information: tinyurl.com/234azf6d

No Evacuation Orders or Warnings are in place for Placer County.

EVACUATIONS — EL DORADO COUNTY

Interactive evacuation map: bit.ly/3ATtgao, Mosquito Fire information: edcgov.us/mosquito-fire-information

No Evacuation Orders or Warnings are in place for El Dorado County.

ROAD CLOSURES

View road closures in the vicinity of the Mosquito Fire on the Caltrans interactive map: quickmap.dot.ca.gov.

ANIMAL SHELTERS

El Dorado County:

- Diamond Springs Shelter, 6435 Capitol Avenue, Diamond Springs, California (small animals only)
- Flying M Ranch, 5421 Buck Mountain Road, Placerville, California (large animals only)

NATIONAL FOREST CLOSURES

National Forest System lands, roads, and trails in the vicinity of the Mosquito Fire are closed under multiple orders. Maps are included in the Orders linked below.

- Rubicon Jeep Trail: Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-10 (<u>tinyurl.com/3uapupe5</u>),
 Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit Order No. 19-22-07 (<u>tinyurl.com/2p9ckfcr</u>)
- Tahoe National Forest Order No. 17-22-09 (tinyurl.com/2dfxw6v9)
- Eldorado National Forest Order No. 03-22-17 (<u>tinyurl.com/3rtd9rm9</u>)