



Station Fire Information

September 6, 2009 Morning Update

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Fire Status	Resources
Fire Name: Station	Cooperators and Assisting Agencies:
Geographic Location: Highway 2 North of La Cañada – Flintridge, CA	US Forest Service (Lead Agency) with support from Los Angeles County Fire Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles City Fire Department, California State Highway Patrol, Cal Trans, American Red Cross, CAL FIRE, Southern California Edison, Office of Emergency Services, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Dept of Defense, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the cities of Arcadia, Monrovia and Sierra Madre.
Acres Burned: 157,220	
Start Date: August 26, 2009	
Time: 3:20 p.m.	
Percent Contained: 51%	
Estimated Containment Date: 9/15/09	
Cause: Arson	
Injuries: 9	
Structures Threatened: 7,000	Approximate Personnel Assigned: 4,861
Commercial Buildings Threatened: 200	Helitankers 12
Residences Destroyed: 76	Helicopters 7
Residences Damaged: 13	Air Tankers 8
Commercial Property Destroyed: 2	Engines 243
Commercial Property Damaged: 1	Hand Crews 149
Outbuildings/Other Destroyed: 86	Dozers 60
Outbuildings/Other Damaged: 18	Cost to Date \$43,500,000

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Yesterday's Fire Behavior

While the northern and southern perimeters of the fire remained predominately inactive and in patrol status, fire activity on the eastern and southeastern perimeter made a dramatic run. The advance to the east and southeast created a horseshoe shaped perimeter with an unburned area from Chileo Flats north to Alder Saddle.

In the northeast the fire spread a few miles east of Sulphur Springs. In the southeast the fire advanced beyond Vetter Mountain into the San Gabriel Wilderness and south to Cogswell Dam.

“We’re seeing unprecedented fire behavior for this area,” said Mark Savage, Los Angeles County Fire Dept. Fire plumes were visible as high as 50,000 feet. As the fire made the two pronged advance, firefighters worked to connect fuel breaks, reopen dozer lines, and cut hand line to tie in a solid contingency line along Hwy 39. Firefighters on the ground were supported throughout the day by air operations. Air operations were especially pivotal during this shift in structure protection.

Today's Objectives

In the northeast crews will catch spot fires to stop additional fire movement. In the east crews will continue to anchor the eastern contingency line along Highway 39. Other areas of the fire will be monitored and patrolled, with reassignment of crews to more active areas as necessary. If conditions allow, helicopter ignition using ping pong balls and heli-torch equipment will begin. **Smoke and flames may be visible today from Pasadena eastward.** Burn operations are a standard operational procedure to eliminate fuels in front of a fire. Plans remain to go direct in the San Gabriel Wilderness as soon as safety allows.

Closures:

Glendale: Dukmejian Wilderness Park

Angeles National Forest: An area closure of the southern portion of the Angeles National Forest is in effect until it is determined that it is safe to reopen forest areas. For additional information on the closure, go to www.fs.fed.us/r5/angeles/.

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Open to Residents Only:

- Little Tujunga Canyon Rd and Live Oak Campground
- Aliso Canyon Rd at Angeles Forest Hwy
- Little Tujunga Canyon Rd at ¼ mile north of the Wildlife Way Station

Road Closures:

- Big Rock Creek Rd closed at Big Pines Rd
- Highway 39 between San Gabriel Canyon Road and East Fork Rd
- Big Tujunga Rd 1 mile north of Mt Gleason Rd at the City/County line
- Soledad Canyon Rd at Indian Canyon Trail Head
- Angeles Crest Hwy between Big Pines Hwy and mile marker 26.7 north of Altadena
- Big Pines Hwy at SR-2
- Cheney Trail at Angeles National Forest gate (Loma Alta)

The following services are provided at no cost:

Evacuation Shelters: Located at Golden Valley High School and Verdugo High School.

Pet Evacuation Centers: Located at Pasadena Humane Society, Baldwin Park Animal Shelter, LA County Agoura Hills Animal Shelter.

Large Animal Evacuation Center:

Antelope Valley Fairgrounds is boarding large animals. Pierce College can only board horses, donkeys and mules.

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