



Junction Fire Incident Update

Tuesday, August 19, 2014, 8:00 p.m.

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Incident Name: Junction Fire

Location: Highway 49 and Junction Drive in the
Community of Oakhurst

Start Date & Report Time: August 18, 2014, 1:50 p.m.

Cause: Under Investigation.

Acres: 612

Containment: 35%

Fire Engines: 130

Fire Crews: 16

Bulldozers: 8

Helicopters: 4

Air tankers: 0

Total Personnel: 1,094

Injuries: 2

Structures Threatened: 2,203 **Structures Destroyed:** 9

Current Situation:

Firefighters made significant progress today. Aggressive firefighting, in addition to lower temperatures, a rise in humidity and less wind have provided an opportunity to increase containment lines. Firefighters from throughout the central valley and the state have been deployed to defend homes in the area.

With summer weather and extreme drought conditions, we are asking everyone to continue to use caution, "one less spark - one less wildfire". For more information on how to prepare for wildfires, go to www.readyforwildfire.org.

Evacuations and road closures are in effect for the following areas:

- Mandatory evacuation orders have been lifted for Highway 41 and all areas west of Highway 41, except Road 620. Roads east of Highway 41 remain closed and evacuations remain in effect.

Evacuation Shelter:

- Yosemite Lakes Community Church, 43840 Patrick, Coarsegold CA

School Closures:

- The following schools will remain closed tomorrow.
 - Yosemite High School
 - Oak Creek Intermediate
 - Oakhurst Elementary
 - Wasuma Elementary

Cooperating Agencies: Madera County Sheriff, Madera County Fire Department, CAL OES, Sierra National Forest, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, CHP, Red Cross, CCC, PG&E, Cal Trans, Hillview Water Company and Madera County OES

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