



KING FIRE UPDATE

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Public information: 530-621-1201

Media information: 530-708-2724



Start Date: September 13, 2014

Size: 97,717 acres

Containment: 98%

Injuries: 11

Estimated Containment Date: October 5, 2014

Total Personnel Assigned: 2,382

Cause: Arson

Structures Destroyed: 80 (12 residences, 68 other type)

Current Situation: Firefighters finished mopping up the last hot spot near the perimeter west of Loon Lake. Areas on the interior of the fire perimeter will continue to smolder and produce smoke as long as conditions remain warm and dry. Firefighters continue patrolling to identify and extinguish any heat near the perimeter.

Though suppression efforts are nearing completion, a considerable amount of work remains to be done. Crews have been transitioning their focus to “suppression repairs” -- removing hazardous trees; backhauling fire equipment such as hose, pumps and tanks; and chipping brush and removing road debris to make roads safer for public travel. Much of the repair work in the northern part of the fire area has been completed.

Containment Line Suppression Repair status:

	Total miles constructed	Suppression Repairs Complete
Dozer line	158	12%
Hand line	56	17%
Roads used as line	115	23%

A group of specialists continues working on emergency stabilization measures. The Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team is assessing burned watersheds to identify imminent post-fire threats to human life and safety, property, and critical natural or cultural resources on National Forest System lands. Actions will be taken for immediate emergency stabilization before the first major storms. For further details on BAER please visit: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4126/>.

Forest Closures:

All forest roads within the burned area are still closed.

Eldorado National Forest: Tuesday the Eldorado National Forest released a closure order reducing the size of the closure area. To view the news release, new closure order and map, please visit: <http://tinyurl.com/n5ej7e8>

Tahoe National Forest: The Tahoe National Forest’s road and trail closure order remains in effect and can be viewed at: <http://tinyurl.com/kg3dqyb>.

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