



Tassajara Incident Update



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STATUS				
Incident Start Date: 9/19/2015		Incident Start Time: 3:00 PM		
Incident Type: Vegetation		Cause: Under Investigation		
Incident Location: Tassajara Rd. at Carmel Valley Rd.				
Acreage: 1086 Acres		Containment: 50%		
Expected Containment: N/A		Injuries: 1 Civilian Fatality		
Structures Threatened: 0	Structures Destroyed: 13 Residences, 7 Outbuildings		Structures Damaged: 1 Residence	
RESOURCES				
Engines: 22	Water Tenders:	Helicopters: 2	Air Tankers: 0	Hand Crews: 24
Dozers: 8	Other:	Total Personnel: 656		
Cooperating Agencies: Monterey County Sheriff, USFS Los Padres, CHP, Red Cross, Monterey County Regional FPD, CAL Trans, Cachaqua FPD, OES, SPCA of Monterey County, Monterey County EOC, PG&E, Monterey County Public Works, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.				
SITUATION				
Current Situation:	<p>Firefighters continue to make good progress within the fire area. The Oak woodland, with dead understory as well as the heavy brush created extreme fire behavior during this fire. The combination of predicted hot, dry and windy conditions continues to have the potential of critical fire weather conditions which could promote extreme fire behavior if left unchecked.</p> <p>Damage inspection teams have begun to survey the fire area to identify and confirm damaged or destroyed structures today. This can be seen in the new numbers of damaged and destroyed structures listed. Additional areas still need to be surveyed by the inspection crews within the fire area tomorrow.</p> <p>The Laureles Fire is 95 acres and 100% contained.</p>			
Evacuations:	Evacuation orders and advisories have been resinded outside of the fire perimeter. An Evacuation Order still remains in effect within the fire perimeter on Tassajara Road, Cachagua Road			
Evacuation Centers:	Carmel Middle School @ 4380 Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel, CA 93923			
Road Closures:	Cachaqua Road at Madrone Road, Poppy Tree Lane at Buckeye Road, Tassajara Road, east of Buckeye Road (Tassajara Road closed at fire perimeter to north traffic), Tassajara Road, south of East Carmel Valley Road (Tassajara Road closed at fire perimeter to south traffic) and East Carmel Valley Road, south of Tassajara Road near fire perimeter will have one-lane traffic control due to fire equipment operating in the area.			

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