

CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

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Vegetation Fire [final], Cachagua/Jamesburg (Monterey County)

Monterey, CA – The Tassajara Fire, which started at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2015 near Tassajara Rd X Cachagua Rd, near the communities of Jamesburg and Cachagua (Monterey County), is 100% contained at 6:00 p.m. on September 27, 2015. Cooperating agencies included: Monterey County Sheriff, Los Padres National Forest, CHP, Red Cross, Monterey County Regional FPD, CalTrans, Cachagua FPD, OES, SPCA of Monterey County, Monterey County EOC, PG&E, Monterey County Public Works, and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

The fire was human caused. The fire burned a total of 1,086 acres. 12 residential structures and 8 outbuildings were destroyed by this incident, as well as 1 residence being damaged. There was one civilian fatality, which is under investigation by Monterey County Sheriff's Department.

Residents are encouraged to exercise extreme caution when in or near the wildland or open areas to prevent a fire. It is important that everyone monitor the weather and be aware of their surroundings because of the continued potential for devastating wildland fires. If fires occur in your area, be prepared to follow all instructions of fire and law enforcement officials if an evacuation is ordered. The public is encouraged to review "Ready, Set, Go" procedures at www.ReadyForWildfire.org. Each person and family should insure that they are "Set" for a potential emergency situation and prepared to activate the "Go" (evacuation) portion in a calm and safe manner.

For more ways to prepare and prevent wildfires visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org or www.fire.ca.gov.

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