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## HIGHWAY 1 TO REOPEN IN BIG SUR

The Highway 1 road closure will be lifted at 8:00 P.M. on August 14, 2016.

Tactical firing operations in the Big Sur area of the Soberanes Fire required Highway 1 to close at 2:00 P.M. today in both directions between Point Sur Lighthouse and North Coast Ridge Road. Highway 1 was closed for 6 hours.

Firing operations have been extremely successful and electrical power restored. This shut-down allowed firefighters to aggressively fight the fire on this section of the perimeter, protecting the Big Sur and surrounding communities.

Cooperation between Pacific Gas and Electric, California Highway Patrol, Forest Service, CAL FIRE, and other cooperators was essential to ensure the safety of visiting motorists, residents and firefighters.

Unified Command of the Soberanes Fire would like to thank the public for their understanding and cooperation while Highway 1 was closed.

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