



# Ponderosa Fire



## Update

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Date: 8/31/17 Time: 6:30 PM  
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### STATUS

<b>Incident Start Date:</b> 8/29/17		<b>Incident Start Time:</b> 1:16 PM	
<b>Incident Type:</b> Vegetation		<b>Cause:</b> Human	
<b>Incident Location:</b> Ponderosa Way and Lumpkin Road, 2 miles Northwest of Forbestown			
<b>Acreage:</b> 3,570		<b>Containment:</b> 30%	
<b>Expected Containment:</b> 9/5/17		<b>Injuries:</b> none	
<b>Structures Threatened:</b> 1300 (50 homes & 800 outbuildings)	<b>Structures Destroyed:</b> 27 (20 homes & 7 outbuildings)	<b>Structures Damaged:</b> none	

### SITUATION

<b>Engines:</b> 144	<b>Water Tenders:</b> 27	<b>Helicopters:</b> 3	<b>Air Tankers:</b> 9	<b>Hand Crews:</b> 45
<b>Dozers:</b> 15	<b>Other:</b>	<b>Total Personnel:</b> 1,610		

**Cooperating Agencies:** Butte County Sheriff's Office, Butte County Fire Department, Butte County, Cal OES, Bureau of Indian Affairs, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Red Cross, California Highway Patrol, US Forest Service, California Department of Parks and Recreation, PG & E, California Conservation Corps, North Valley Animal Disaster Group, Butte Medics, California Department of Transportation, South Feather Water and Power and Sierra Pacific Industries.

### SITUATION

<b>Current Situation:</b>	Firefighters continue to reinforce and build containment lines around the fire. The steep, rugged terrain paired with the hot and dry temperatures make firefighting efforts difficult. Ground crews, with air support, continue to actively engage in suppressing spot fires around the southern perimeter of the incident. Damage Assessment Teams have arrived at the incident and have initiated their assessments. Changes in damaged and destroyed structures along with the type of structures involved will be reflected in incident updates as the assessment teams confirm their findings.
<b>Evacuations:</b>	Evacuation orders are in place for Lumpkin Road from Forbestown Road to CAL FIRE Station 51, including the community of Feather Falls. For the communities of Berry Creek, Brush Creek and Mountain House. This includes Oro Quincy Highway from Foreman Creek, north to Mountain House and all tributaries including Bald Rock Road.
<b>Evacuation Centers:</b>	Church of the Nazarene: 2238 Monte Vista Ave., Oroville 95966 The Ponderosa Community Center: 17130 Ponderosa Way, Brownsville 95919 Small Animal Shelter: The Old County Hospital 2279 Del Oro Ave., Oroville 95966 Large Animal Shelter: Camelot Equestrian Park 1985 Clark Road, Oroville 05065
<b>Road Closures:</b>	Lumpkin Road at Forbestown Road Lumpkin Road at Mill Road Oro Quincy Highway at Foreman Creek Oro Quincy Highway at Upper Bald Rock Road