

ZACA FIRE UPDATE

Sunday, August 12, 2007 8:00 AM

Joint Unified Command: Los Padres National Forest and Santa Barbara County Fire Department
On the Web: www.sbcfire.com or www.fire.ca.gov/ or [www.inciweb](http://www.inciweb.com) * we are experiencing technical difficulties with inciweb
Fire Information Phone Line: (805) 961-5770

Fire Status	Resources
Acres Burned: 85,959 acres	Crews: 71
Acreage Increase (last 12 hours): 2,030 acres	Engines: 108
Fireline to Build: 61 miles	Helicopters: 21
Date Started: July 4, 2007 at 10:53 am	Air Tankers: 8
Percent Contained: 68 percent	Air Attack: 2
Expected Containment: September 7, 2007	Dozers: 30
Injuries: 25	Water Tenders: 67
Structures Threatened: 595	Total Personnel Assigned: 2,863
Structures Destroyed: 1 outbuilding	Cost to Date: \$64.8 million

Current Situation:

Significant progress was made yesterday by firefighters conducting direct attack on areas of concern on the south side of the fire. The success of this attack has enabled the Incident Commander on the Live Oak Zone to postpone the decision to conduct firing operations along Camuesa Road. Crews will continue direct attack operations as long as this tactic remains effective and safe for firefighters. Fire managers plan to deploy the DC-10 fire retardant aircraft this morning. The fire has become well established in the Indian Creek drainage as a result of the area topography and the effects of the prevailing weather conditions. Contingency lines in the areas of Paradise, East Camino Cielo, the Sierra Madre Ridge, the Pendola Road, and Matilija Wilderness are nearing the desired level of completion. This is necessary to provide suppression options that firefighters may need in the event of erratic or unpredictable fire behavior.

Yesterday, the fire crossed the Sisquoc River and burned to the top of Samon Peak Line. Fire line construction continues down the Sweetwater Trail to the South Fork of the Sisquoc River. Line construction is beginning today along the Don Victor Valley Fire Trail from the Ventura County line moving west. Firefighters continue to build and improve fireline from Santa Barbara Canyon Rd. southeast along Dry Canyon Creek to Hwy 33 in preparation for a firing operation that will begin in the next few days.

Forest, Road and Area Closures:

- Happy Canyon Road is **closed** at Los Padres National Forest boundary.
- Figueroa Mountain Road is **closed** at the Los Padres National Forest boundary.
- East Camino Cielo is **closed** between Painted Cave Road and Gibraltar Road due to fire equipment traffic.
- Paradise Road is within the Evacuation Order Area and is currently **closed**.
- Los Padres National Forest closure information and map are available at www.inciweb.org.

Evacuations:

An **Evacuation Order** is in effect for Paradise Road and Lower Santa Ynez River to Gibraltar Dam. This includes Paradise Road Community, Santa Ynez Road Recreational Area to Gibraltar Dam, Los Prietos Boys Camp, and the Rancho Oso Guest Ranch.

Donations to firefighters:

Many individuals and businesses have expressed a desire to help firefighters and to show their appreciation. The best way to do this is to donate to the Fallen Firefighters Foundation. Businesses could then display the fact that they have supported the cause and individuals can feel that they have truly helped out. Details can be found at www.wffoundation.org or call (208) 336-2996.