



Fact Sheet

CAL FIRE



Friday, May 23, 2008
7:00 AM

SUMMIT FIRE SCORCHES 3100 ACRES

As of 7AM, the Summit Fire has burned 3,100 acres in steep, rugged terrain in the Santa Cruz Mountains west of Morgan Hill and east of Corralitos effecting both Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. Evacuations are currently in place for the areas of Eureka Canyon Road and Ormsby Cutoff Road, as well as the Lower Highland area which includes the Buzzard Lagoon and Vaca De Sol areas.

- The fire started shortly after 5 a.m. Thursday, May 22nd.
- The fire is burning in heavy brush and timber.
- The fire is 20 percent contained
- The fire has destroyed 10 structures.
- Five hundred residential units and 20 commercial buildings are threatened
- Evacuation shelters are in place in Watsonville at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds and the Los Gatos Community Center.
- 771 personnel are assigned to the fire with more expected to arrive today.
- Air tankers and helicopters are assisting with the fire suppression effort.
- There have been no reported injuries.
- The cause is under investigation.
- Estimated fire suppression cost to date \$860,000