



YUBA FIRE

Incident Update



Tuesday, August 18, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
www.fire.ca.gov

Fire Information Line: 530-823-4083

Incident Name: Yuba Fire

Location: in the Dobbins / Oregon House Area

Command Team: CAL FIRE Incident Command Team #10

Start Date & Report Time: August 14, 2009, 12:58 p.m.

Cause: Fire investigators have confirmed the initial fire was started by a bird into a power line, but another fire in the area remains under investigation.

Acres: 3,611 Acres

% Containment: 45%

Expected Containment: August 22, 2009

Fire Engines: 119

Fire Crews: 50

Bulldozers: 20

Helicopters: 16

Airtankers: 4

Total Personnel: 1,615

Injuries: 18

Structures Damaged: 0

Structures Destroyed: 2 residences

Current Situation: Firefighters continue making progress constructing fire line and have completed a contingency line to the east. Open fire line remains on the northeast (Yuba County) and the east side (Nevada County) of the fire. Firefighters continue to patrol for smoke and extinguish smoldering fires on the west side of the fire. Access to the fire continues to be difficult due to steep terrain covered with heavy fuels. The fire continues to threaten critical power lines from the Colgate Hydroelectric plant.

Temperatures are expected to continue to reach 100 degrees or more over the next few days with poor relative humidity recovery overnight. Winds are expected to continue out of the west today at 5-10 miles per hour.

Evacuations: Evacuations have been lifted in all areas. Lake Francis Road will be open to residents only.

Cooperating Agencies: Yuba County Sheriff, Nevada County Sheriff, CHP, Yuba County OES, Yuba County Water, United States Forest Service – Tahoe & Plumas National Forests, CalEMA Fire Rescue, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, PG&E, Red Cross, and BLM.

Additional Information: For more information, contact the Yuba Fire Information Line between the hours 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 530-823-4083, or go to www.fire.ca.gov.