



YUBA FIRE

Incident Update



Wednesday, August 19, 2009, 7:00 a.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: 3,811 Acres

% Containment: 50%

Expected Containment: August 22, 2009

Fire Engines: 119

Fire Crews: 50

Bulldozers: 20

Helicopters: 13

Airtankers: 4

Total Personnel: 1,615

Injuries: 20

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. Last night's burning operation was successful in mitigating potential fire hazards in the eastern portion of the fire. Firefighters are patrolling for smoke and extinguishing smoldering fires. Access to the fire remains difficult due to steep terrain and heavy fuels. The fire continues to threaten critical power lines from the Colgate Hydroelectric plant. Fire commanders are optimistic that containment is within sight. Residents must remain vigilant for changes in fire conditions.

Temperatures are expected to reach over the 100 degree mark with poor relative humidity recovery overnight. Winds are expected to continue out of the west at 5-10 miles per hour.

Evacuations: Evacuations have been lifted in all areas. Lake Francis Road is 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.