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John Fire

Big Pine — The John Fire, which began burning Tuesday afternoon at approximately 1:30 PM, has now burned 5353 acres and is 95 percent contained with possible full containment by Friday September 16.

Crews worked throughout last night to contain the fire burning in the Crater Mountain area south of Big Pine.

No structures are threatened in the area. The Inyo County Sheriff's Department has cancelled the evacuation advisory for the south-west portion of Big Pine. Highway 395 is open. All remaining road closures in the area will be reopened today by 8:00 am.

CAL FIRE has now taken full command of the John Fire with representatives from the California Highway Patrol, Inyo County Sheriff and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power providing major support. In addition to CAL FIRE, resources from the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service, as well as personnel and equipment from, Big Pine Fire, Bishop Fire, Mammoth Lakes Fire and other local agencies are providing significant assistance in fighting the fire.

Two minor injuries to firefighter reported with no civilian injuries.

Cause of the fire is under investigation.

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