



Scotts Fire Incident Update

CAMEU - 006376

Sunday, September 9, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Fire Information Line: (707) 967-4207

Location: North Cow Mountain between
Scotts Creek and Scotts Valley Road

County: Lake County

Start Date & Report Time: September 7, 2012 1:23 p.m. **Cause:** Under Investigation

Acres: 4,100

Containment: 15%

Expected Containment: 9/15/12

Fire Engines: 131

Fire Crews: 38

Bulldozers: 37

Helicopters: 11

Air Tankers: 10

Total Personnel: 1,340

Injuries: 0

Structures Damaged: 0 **Structures Destroyed:** 0

Current Situation: The fire continues to burn southeast towards Little Cow Mountain and east towards the Scotts Valley Road area in steep and rugged terrain. Fire crews and equipment are working to hold the fire south of Highway 20, west of Scotts Valley Road, and east of Cow Mountain Road. Today, a heavy commitment of aircraft aided fire crews in building and strengthening containment lines. Efforts are being made to protect BLM lands, as well as critical communications infrastructure in the Cow Mountain Road area. There is a red flag warning in effect for the fire area for gusty winds and low humidity which could increase fire activity.

Evacuations: An evacuation warning has been issued for Scotts Valley Road from Highway 20, south to upper Hendricks Road. An evacuation warning considers the probability that an area could be affected and prepares residents for a potential evacuation order. Should fire activity necessitate, future evacuations residents will be notified.

Road Closures and Conditions: Scotts Valley Road, open to residents only. Mendo Rock Road Access to North Cow Mountain Road is closed at Mill Creek. Mill Creek Road is closed.

The Cow Mountain Recreation Area has been closed at both the Scotts Creek and Mill Creek entrances. Glen Eden and Valley View Trails are closed. For specific information regarding the Cow Mountain Recreation Area, contact the BLM at 707-468-4000.

Cooperating Agencies: Mendocino, Lake and Sonoma County Fire Agencies, BLM, Mendocino and Lake County Sheriff's offices, California National Guard, Red Cross, CAL-EMA, PG&E, CDCR, DFG, Caltrans and Lake County Public Works.