



**For Immediate Release      Date: June 21, 2013      Time: 7:30 AM      Fire Update #10**

<b>Carstens Fire</b>	<b>Location:</b> Mariposa County, one mile east of Midpines and Highway		
<b>Acres Burned:</b>	1660 Acres	<b>Structures Threatened:</b>	0
<b>Containment:</b>	70%	<b>Structures Destroyed:</b>	0
<b>Fire Started:</b>	June 16, 2013	<b>Injuries:</b>	1
<b>Cause:</b>	Human Caused		
<b>Total personnel assigned to the Fire: 1457</b>			

**Summary**

- The Carstens Fire started June 16, 2013, at approximately 2 p.m. at the bottom of Plum Bar Creek in Mariposa County. It is currently in Clarks Valley.
- The fire has been determined to be human caused. An unattended campfire was not fully extinguished. Continued vigilance and fire safety during dry forest conditions is required.
- Extensive mop-operations and patrol of the fire lines will continue.
- Drivers! Please slow and allow large fire equipment to pass.

**Fire Update**

- All evacuation orders have been lifted as of 1600 yesterday.
- Residents with I.D. will be allowed to return to their homes.
- Contingency lines are being repaired to reduce erosion.
- Cooperating Agencies include: the USDA Forest Service; CALFIRE; California Highway Patrol, National Park Service, and Mariposa County, Mariposa County Fire, Mariposa County Sheriff.

**Road Closures: Carstens Rd., Buckingham Mtn. Rd. – remain open to residents with proper I.D. All Forest Service roads leading to and around the fire area will remain closed.**

**Carter Rd. open to all traffic including Carter Ranch Music Festival.**

**The Natural Resources Conservation Service is available to assist private landowners with rehabilitating property affected by the fire. For more information, Contact 209-966-3431 or [www.ca.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.ca.nrcs.usda.gov)**

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