



For Immediate Release

Date: June 22, 2013

Time: 7:30 AM Fire Update #11

Carstens Fire	Location: Mariposa County, one mile east of Midpines and Highway		
Acres Burned:	1660 Acres	Structures Threatened:	0
Containment:	80%	Structures Destroyed:	0
Fire Started:	June 16, 2013	Injuries:	1
Cause:	Human Caused		
Total personnel assigned to the Fire:	980		

Summary

- The Carstens Fire started June 16, 2013, at approximately 2 p.m. at the bottom of Plumbar Creek in Mariposa County.
- The fire has been determined to be human caused. An abandoned 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.
- Please drive slowly and allow large fire equipment to pass.
- Fire suppression rehabilitation to repair damage from fire line construction will be implemented.
- Road damage is being repaired from heavy firefighting traffic.

Fire Update

- All evacuation orders were lifted as of 1600 on Thursday, June 20.
- Contingency lines are being repaired to reduce erosion.
- Cooperating Agencies include: the USDA Forest Service; CALFIRE; California Highway Patrol, National Park Service, Mariposa County, Mariposa County Fire, and Mariposa County Sheriff.

Road Closures: Carstens Road and Buckingham Mountain Road remain closed to the public. Residents are allowed to enter with I.D. All Forest Service roads leading to and around the fire area will remain closed.

Carter Road is 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 go to www.ca.nrcs.usda.gov

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