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## RIM FIRE UPDATE

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### Incident Statistics

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|------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Acres Burned:    | 237,341 (371 square miles) | Structures Threatened:         | 4,500 |
| Containment:     | 80%                        | Residences Destroyed:          | 11    |
| Fire Start Date: | August 17, 2013            | Commercial Property Destroyed: | 3     |
| Fire Cause:      | Under Investigation        | Outbuildings Destroyed:        | 97    |
| Cost to date:    | \$77 million               | Injuries:                      | 5     |
|                  |                            | Total Personnel                | 4,143 |

### Fire Update

The Rim Fire's southeast flank in Yosemite National Park is expected to remain active where unburned fuels remain between containment lines and the fire. Crews are constructing new line off the Tioga Road in an effort to reduce the amount of fire operations needed to contain the fire. As conditions are favorable crews will continue using firing operations to remove unburned fuels that could threaten containment lines on the fire's south and northeast flanks. The fire's west and north flanks are considered contained while firefighters continue to monitor for spot fires and heat found near containment lines. Weather conditions are expected to be similar to yesterday with slightly drier conditions. Smoke exposure and air quality will continue to be a concern to the public and fire crew. California Interagency Incident Management Team 1 (McGowan) assumed command of the Rim Fire at 6 AM this morning.

### Park and Forest Closures

Yosemite National Park has closed Tamarack Flat and Yosemite Creek Campgrounds, both located along Tioga Road. White Wolf Campground and White Wolf Lodge remain closed. The Stanislaus National Forest has issued an area closure for the entire Groveland Ranger District and for the Mi-Wok Ranger District east of Highway 108. Additional details are available from the Stanislaus Forest Supervisor's Office, 209-532-3671; Mi-Wok Ranger Station, (209) 586-3234; Summit Ranger Station, 209-965-3434; and Groveland Ranger Station, 209-962-7825.

### Road Closures

Highway 120 remains closed from Buck Meadows to 1 ½ miles east of White Wolf. Highway 120 east/Tioga Road remains open from 1 ½ miles east of White Wolf to the Tioga Pass entrance. Cherry Lake Road is closed at Highway 120. Evergreen Road and Old Yosemite Road are also closed. Highway 120 from Ferretti Road to Buck Meadows remains open for local residents and businesses only.

### Evacuations and Advisories

There are currently no mandatory or advisory evacuation orders effective in Mariposa or Tuolumne Counties. Highway 120 at the Yosemite National Park boundary west to Buck Meadows has been evacuated.

**For more information or if you have questions, please contact the Rim Fire at 805-727-4775 or 805-727-4746 and Tuolumne City Rim Fire Information at 209-928-1059. If you have questions about Yosemite National Park call 209-372-0327 or 209-372-0329. Updated information is also available at <http://www.inciweb.org/incident/3660/>. All media are requested to report to the Incident Command Post to check in with the Public Information Officers.**