



# Rough Fire

**September 13, 2015, 9:00 a.m.**

## Closures & Advisories:

- For more information on the Sierra National Forest closure orders <http://www.fs.usda.gov/sierra/>
- For more information on the Sequoia National Forest closure orders, <http://www.fs.usda.gov/sequoia/>
- For more information about the Sequoia National Park and Kings Canyon National Park. <http://www.nps.gov/seki/index.htm>
- For more information about the mandatory evacuations: <http://www.fresnosheriff.org/>
- *The Fresno County Sheriff issued an additional evacuation warning for the area along Hopewell Road north of Highway 180 and east to the Sequoia National Forest Boundary.*

Please see **InciWeb** for more specific details.

Fire Size Today: 129,877 acres  
 Sequoia National Forest 48,945 acres  
 Sierra National Forest 71,905 acres  
 Kings Canyon National Park 7,752 acres  
 Other 194 acres

Containment: 31%

2,961 incident personnel:  
 67 crews, 156 engines, 20 helicopters, 42 dozers.

Location:  
 Kings River Drainage, 5 miles North of Hume Lake and 2.5 miles southwest of Spanish Mountain; on the Sierra National Forest, Sequoia National Forest, and Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks.

Started: 7/31/15 lightning caused

Management: South Zone - California IMT 4, Incident Commander Rocky Opliger; West Zone - Cal Fire IMT 2, Incident Commander Glenn Paterson; and North Zone: Sierra National Forest Type 3 IMT, Incident Commander John Goss.

The Rocky Mountain IMT has a Facebook page dedicated to "Thank You" notes to the firefighters working on the fireline. Visit the page at <https://www.facebook.com/RockyMtn.Type1.IMT.PIOS>

## Summary:

The Rough Fire is now split into three zones: South Zone - managed by California IMT 4, Incident Commander Rocky Opliger; West Zone - managed by Cal Fire IMT 2, Incident Commander Glenn Paterson; and North Zone - managed by Sierra National Forest Type 3 IMT, Incident Commander John Goss.

**South Zone:** Crews are still providing structure protection in the Cedar Grove area, fire activity has been light there.

A few spot fires were found last night north of Sequoia Lake and firefighters were able to contain them to 4 acres. This portion of the fire will be watched carefully by firefighters today. The fire has still not crossed Highway 180 above Dunlap and Miramonte.

## West Zone

Firefighters made significant progress firing out along McKenzie Ridge yesterday.

Conditions are expected to be cloudy today with relative humidity in the teens. A few periods of precipitation is possible.

The fire is now very close to Delilah Tower and heading north. Hand crews are working to keep the fire east of the ridge, but it will be a very vulnerable part of the fire today.

The fire is near the Kings River in the vicinity of Camp 4 in the northwestern portion of the fire.

**North Zone:** Fire moving north towards the Kings River remains the primary concern on the North Zone. Continued fire growth to the west, south of the Kings River, may trigger an evacuation order for Balch Camp and other PG&E facilities in the river corridor.

Crews and dozers will work on contingency lines and establish operational trigger points on the western edge of the fire.

Structure protection operations and planning will continue in the areas directly north and west of the fire. A Type II IMT (IC Dave Cooper) will take control of the North Zone with a planned transition date of 9/15/15.

**Incident Information:** <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4456/>

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