





Rough Fire September 8, 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, visit http://www.fresnosheriff.org/

Please see InciWeb for more specific details.

Fire Size Today: 97, 884 acres

- Sequoia Kings Canyon National Park: 2,617 ac.
- Sequoia National Forest: 42,550 ac.
- Sierra National Forest: 49,954 ac.
- State Responsibility area: 63 ac.

Containment: 31%

1960 Firefighters:

48 crews, 120 engines, 12 helicopters, and overhead personnel.

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: Rocky Mountain Type 1 Incident Management Team (RMIMT1) and the Sierra National Forest Type 3 Incident Management Team.

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:

Yesterday, the Rough Fire crossed over the fireline along Kings River in the Hoist Ridge area. Firefighters pulled back due to hazardous terrain. Air resources will continue working the fires edge trying to slow its progress.

An evacuation has been issued by the Fresno County Sheriff for areas west of the Converse Basin, for more information visit the Fresno County Sheriff's website or call (559) 600-3111.

The fire remained active throughout the night. Firefighters worked to hold existing lines and patrol for spot fires. Two spot fires were found and crews were able to take action and contain them.

Today we are expecting hot and dry weather conditions. The fire will be more active and will burn with greater intensity. Crews will continue to patrol and mop up existing firelines. They will continue to strengthen line around structures in the Cedar Grove area and take actions where necessary.

We expect another day of flanking and upslope runs along the uncontained fire edges where it has become established in the drainage bottoms. Rolling material will cause challenges to containment lines.

On the North Zone, firefighters and heavy equipment (dozers, excavators, and masticators) will continue suppression repair efforts in the area between Balch Camp and Tule Meadow. Crews continue removing hose and equipment in the Rodgers Ridge area and expect to complete this mission in the next few days. Crews continue to work with the Resource Advisors (READs) to minimize any potential impact to the Yosemite toad and water resources in the Tea Kettle Experimental Forest area.

As fire continues to burn within containment lines, crews will monitor the threat to private structures in the Rancheria Creek area. Repair work has started on the Spanish Mountain OHV trail and is expected to be completed in 2-4 days. An assessment of suppression repairs needed on the Crown Valley Trail has also begun.

Incident Information: http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4456/ Twitter: @Sierra_NF @SequoiaForest @SequoiaKingsNPS Fire Information 559-332-2028