



# THOMAS FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

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Date: 12/16/2017 Time: 7:00 PM

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## STATUS

Incident Start Date: 12/04/2017		Incident Start Time: 6:26 P.M.	
Incident Type: Wildland Fire		Cause: Under Investigation	
Incident Location: Santa Paula / Ventura		Expected Containment: 01/07/2018	
Total Acreage: 267,500		Containment: 40%	
Firefighter Fatalities: 1	Firefighter Injuries: 0	Civilian Injuries: 0	
Total Cost To Date: \$110,286,500.00			
Structures Threatened: 18,000	Single Family Residences Destroyed: 756	Single Family Residences Damaged: 189	
Multiple Residence Destroyed: 2	Mixed Commercial/Residential Destroyed: 2		
Commercial Structures Destroyed: 19	Other Minor Structures Destroyed: 241	Other Minor Structures Damaged: 40	

## RESOURCES

Engines: 972	Water Tenders: 94	Helicopters: 34	Air Tankers: 0	Hand Crews: 164
Dozers: 77	Other: 5	Total Personnel: 8477		

## SITUATION

<b>Current Situation:</b>	<p>Very strong north winds materialized this morning around 0700 increasing fire behavior significantly in the Santa Barbara Front Country. Fire made an aggressive southward push into the community of Montecito, impacting some structures there. Red flag warnings will remain in place over various portions of the fire over the next operational period for high wind and low humidity. Critical fire weather will continue over the fire area, with north/northeast winds forecasted. This weather pattern will be conducive to west- and southward fire growth, continuing to threaten the communities of Santa Barbara, Montecito and Summerland in Santa Barbara County.</p> <p>North winds will also exasperate the threat to Fillmore and surrounding agricultural values, with fire being established in the Sespe drainage. Mop-up operations in previously burned areas will be ongoing. On the north side of the fire, direct and indirect line construction will occur to contain fire that has spread north of Highway 33 and Rose Valley Road. Direct line construction, where possible, will continue within the Zaca Fire burn scar to Highway 33</p> <p>Fire suppression repair and Damage Inspection will continue as appropriate based on fire conditions.</p>
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<b>Mandatory Evacuations:</b>	<p><b>SANTA BARBARA COUNTY</b>  City of Santa Barbara-the area east of Hwy 154 to Mission Canyon Rd and north of Hwy 192 to East Camino Cielo.  Montecito and Summerland Area-south of Hwy 192, north of Hwy 101, west of Toro Cyn, east of Summit Rd and Country Club.  Montecito north of Alameda Padre Serra/Hwy 101, south of Hwy 192, east of Mission Canyon Road and west of Hot Springs and Summit Road.</p> <p><b>CITY OF VENTURA</b>  North of Foothill Road from Cobble Road to Kimball Road. As of 1000 hours, all mandatory and voluntary evacuations orders have been lifted.</p> <p><b>UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF FILLMORE</b>  Sespe Creek to the west, Burson Ranch to the east, Fillmore City limits to the south, and Los Padres National Forest boundary to the north.</p> <p><b>UNINCORPORATED VENTURA COUNTY</b>  Residents and day visitors of Rose Valley</p> <p><b>VENTURA COUNTY NORTH COAST AREA</b>  The areas of Highway 150 between Santa Ana and Highway 192 is still in an evacuation order but is now accessible to residents only.</p> <p><b>UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF FILLMORE</b>  Hall Road to the west, Sespe Creek to the east, Fillmore City limits to the south, and Los Padres National Forest boundary to the north.</p>
<b>Voluntary Evacuations</b>	<p><b>SANTA BARBARA COUNTY</b>  Santa Barbara City-from West Mission Street, east to S. Salinas Street from Hwy 101 to Alameda Padre Serra.  West of Santa Barbara City, north to San Marcos Rd to Hwy 154 and north of Cathedral Oaks Rd to the intersection of Hwy 154 and north to San Marcos.  The area from Constance/Alameda Padre Serra/South Salinas on the north and east, Hwy 101 on the south and West Mission ST. to State St on the west.  All areas south of 101 to the coast and west of the zoo to San Ysidro Road.</p>
<b>Evacuation Centers:</b>	<p><b>City of Ventura</b> - Ventura County Fairgrounds at Miners Building  <b>City of Goleta</b> - UCSB</p>
<b>Animal Evacuations:</b>	<p>All animal evacuations are being handled at the Ventura County Fairgrounds located at 10 W Harbor Blvd, Ventura, CA 93001</p>
<b>Cooperating Agencies:</b>	<p>CAL FIRE, Ventura County Fire, Ventura County Sheriff, Santa Barbara County Fire, Santa Barbara County Sheriff, Santa Barbara City Fire, City of Ventura Fire, Oxnard Fire Department, Oxnard Police Department, City of Ventura Police Department, USFS/Los Padres National Forest, CAL OES, Red Cross, Southern California Edison, CHP, California Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation, SoCalGas, Santa Paula Police, Santa Paula Fire, Ventura County OES, Santa Barbara OEM, Montecito Fire, Carpinteria – Summerland Fire, California Conservation Corp, Cal Trans</p>

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For more fire information go to <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5670>