







Lassen National Forest/Plumas National Forest

Forest Service News Release

Dixie Fire Update for Tuesday, September 21, 2021

963,276 Acres 90% Containment 2,223 Total Personnel

Dixie Fire East Zone —

A Red Flag Warning has been issued for the local area because of winds and low humidity. That warning expires today at 11 a.m. Firefighters continue to tactically patrol and mop up securing the containment lines. While firefighters continue to make steady progress, any new ignition could result in a significant wildfire. Temperatures will begin to rise after a cool start to the week and winds will shift back to the southwest.

Yesterday, northeast winds increased fire activity near the Grizzly Ridge area. Firefighters remained focused on keeping the containment line secure. Several areas of smoke were spotted and doused within containment lines along California Highway 395 southeast of Milford. Firefighters used helicopters to attack some of these areas because of steep and rugged terrain unsafe for ground forces. Suppression repair continued around Lake Davis out toward Grizzly Ridge using hot shot crews and elements of the U.S. military. Fire crews received two calls for service but none were received overnight. Crews remain vigilant and ready. The public is reminded to report smoke or visible flames, bearing in mind that the area in question might be deep within containment lines and poses no threat. In these cases, the concern is noted but no action is taken because the risk to firefighters is greater than the threat to containment.

Today, firefighters continue securing the steep and rugged terrain in the Devil's Punchbowl area. Focus is on maintaining patrols throughout the fire perimeter and mopping up lines, particularly around Taylorsville, Buck's Lake, the 395 corridor and Dixie Valley. Firefighters continue to backhaul equipment off the line at areas of lowest risk for fire activity and concentrate on fire suppression repair. Fire suppression repair is action taken to mitigate damage and minimize potential soil erosion. Repair includes removing hazard trees and repairing the hand and dozer fire lines, roads, trails, staging areas, safety zones and drop points used during fire suppression efforts.

Plumas National Forest Closure Update: The Plumas National Forest Beckwourth and Mt. Hough Ranger Districts have issued a revised Forest Order impacting the Beckwourth Complex and Dixie Fire Area, Road, Trail and Recreation Site Closures. The closure order reflects potentially dangerous areas within the fires' perimeters. Refer to <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/plumas/alerts-notices</u>, which details areas affected. Furthermore, as hunting season is underway in the surrounding area, the public is reminded that lands inside the fire perimeter remain closed for your safety.

For the West Zone update, visit <u>https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/2021/7/13/dixie-fire</u>.

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