

American Fire



Update
August 24, 2013

7:30 p.m.



Location: Placer County, California

Date of Fire Start: August 10, 2013 4:35 p.m

Cause: Under Investigation

Size: 23,729 acres **Containment:** 67 percent

Management: California Interagency Incident Management Team 4

Cooperating Agencies: Placer County Sheriff's Department, Placer County, Placer County Water Agency, CHP, Foresthill School, Foresthill Fire Department.

Fire Status: The south-west, west and north-west sides of the fire are in patrol status. Fire crews continued to improve and mop up interior of containment lines on the north and north-east sides of the fire. Weather conditions allowed crews to establish a back firing operation utilizing a low intensity burn to strengthen the containment line from the Mosquito Ridge Rd on the eastern side of the fi.

The fire has been established in Antoine, Manila and Screwauger Canyons for several days. The Barney Cavanah Ridge has fire travelling slowly along the ridge towards containment lines. These areas have no previous fire history and have not burned in more than 100 years. Consumption is in heavy fuels which are producing single and group tree torching with active smouldering and creeping in ground fuels. Crews have begun repairing areas damaged by firefighting activity. Due to increased containment excessive personnel are being released.

Resources: Total Personnel: 1429

Hand Crews: 51 Engines: 78 Dozers: 19 Water Tenders: 38 Helicopters: 18

Structures Destroyed: 4 structures have been destroyed by the American Fire.

Closure Update: **Mosquito Ridge Rd** (FSR 96) is closed from the junction of Ralston Ridge Rd (FSR 96-023) to the junction of the Duncan Diversion Dam access road (FSR 96-052), west of French Meadows Reservoir. **Foresthill Rd** is closed from Humbug Canyon Road (FSR 88-066) to Robinson Flat Campground and **Forest Rd 43** (Robinson Flat Rd) is closed from Robinson Flat Campground to Mosquito Ridge Rd. Robinson Flat Campground and Duncan Peak Lookout remain closed.

French Meadow Reservoir and access to the Oxbow Middle Fork American Rafting Launch put in remain open.

Forest Order No 17-13-06 has closed portions of the Tahoe NF on the American Ranger District.

<http://tinyurl.com/mvx4w3c>

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