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FIRE UPDATE

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North Complex Fire Evening Update for September 8, 2020

Incident Start Date: 8/17/2020 **Size:** 58,404 acres **Containment:** 37% **Resources Assigned:**
Engines: 109 **Handcrews:** 26 **Dozers:** 24 **Helicopters:** 8 **Water Tenders:** 40 **Total Personnel:** 1,411

Current Situation

Today was a critical fire day with extreme fire behavior. The fire jumped the Middle Fork of the Feather River around 10 a.m. A dry cold front passing over the fire with very high winds and low humidities rapidly drove the high-intensity crown fire to the southwest. Firefighters are focusing efforts on structure protection within the evacuated communities and holding current anchor points tonight.

The eastern half of the North Complex Fire experienced active burning within the interior today, but containment lines held.

A Virtual Community Meeting will be held tomorrow, Wednesday September 9 at 5 p.m. The meeting can be viewed at <https://www.facebook.com/USFSPlumas>.

Evacuations and Road Closures

Mandatory evacuation orders of 20,000 residents were issued by Plumas, Butte, and Yuba county sheriffs' offices. Evacuation shelters have been established. Check the appropriate county's Facebook Page for their latest information.

- **Plumas County Sheriff's Office:** <https://www.facebook.com/plumascountysheriff>
- **Butte County Sheriff's Office:** <https://www.facebook.com/bcsonews>
- **Yuba County Sheriff's Office:** <https://www.facebook.com/yubacountysheriff>

Temporary evacuation staging areas have been established at:

- Dobbins Alcouffee Center, located at 9185 Marysville Rd, Oregon House, CA
- Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds at 442 Franklin Ave, Yuba City, CA

Evacuation advisories remain in effect for the Bucks Lake area and Quincy LaPorte Road from Highway 70 south to Thompson Creek.

Weather and Air Quality

A Red Flag Warning is in effect through Wednesday at 5 p.m. Critical Fire Weather conditions are occurring due to gusty winds and low humidity. Winds of 10-15 mph with gusts to 35 mph are forecasted over the fire area tonight. For specific smoke impacts to your area, visit www.airnow.gov.

Forest Closures

A USFS order prohibits the use of any ignition (campfires, gas stoves, etc.) and the closure of all developed campgrounds and day-use sites on National Forests in California. No overnight camping of any kind, including dispersed camping, is allowed on the Plumas National Forest except within the wilderness area and alongside the Pacific Crest Trail. An earlier order remains in effect closing all trails, roads, and campgrounds around the North Complex Fire.

Plumas NF: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/plumas/alerts-notice>.

Lassen NF: www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/lassen/alerts-notice

Meetings are being broadcast daily through Zoom:

- Virtual Community Meeting Wednesday, September 9 at 5 p.m. View at <https://www.facebook.com/USFSPlumas>
- Planning Meeting Daily at 7 p.m.: <https://usfs.zoomgov.com/j/1600484186>
- Cooperators Meeting Thursday, September 10 at 10 a.m.: <https://usfs.zoomgov.com/j/1602646317>

Sheep Fire

The Sheep Fire is 29,570 acres with 95% containment. For future updates on the Sheep Fire, go to <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7067/>.

California Interagency Incident Management Team 4 is implementing measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in both the fire area and surrounding communities