



Courtney Fire Update #3
Monday, September 15, 2014, [8:30 A.M.](#)
www.fire.ca.gov

Fire Information Line: 209-966-4784

Incident Name: Courtney Fire

Location: Courtney LN / RD 426

Start Date & Report Time: September 14, 2014 – 1:36 P.M.

Acres: 320

Containment: [20%](#)

Expected Containment:

Fire Engines: 30

Water Tender: [11](#)

Fire Crews: 11

Bulldozers: 6

Helicopters: [4](#)

Airtankers: [4](#)

Total Personnel: [330](#)

Injuries: [1](#)

Structures Destroyed/Damaged: [21](#)

Cause: Under Investigation

Current Situation: Firefighters are continuing to build and reinforce containment lines. There continues to be a threat to the Bass Lake Heights community. Access to the fire is difficult due to steep terrain and several structures in the Wildland Urban Interface. Firefighters are experiencing extreme fire behavior conditions due to drought and low fuel moisture.

Evacuations: [300 Structures with approximately 900 residents living in the Northern part of Oakhurst and a section Bass Lake near Road 222 are evacuated.](#)

Residents should remain cautious of fire personnel and equipment working in the area. Some residents in unaffected areas of the fire have been allowed to return home.

Road Closures: Road 426 between Courtney LN to Road 223
Road 222 between Road 432 (Rec Point) and Road 426
Road 426 between 222 and 223

Evacuation Centers: [Oakhurst Community Center, 39800 Fresno Flats Road](#)

Cooperating Agencies: CAL FIRE, USFS, CAL OES, Madera County Fire Department, Madera County Sheriff's Department, PG&E, Red Cross, Sierra Telephone, CHP, Hillview Water District, and Local Government Resources within the Central Valley.

Additional Information: Residents who need more information can go to www.fire.ca.gov or contact the Courtney Fire Information Line at 209-966-4784.