











FIRE UPDATE

Sunday, September 13, 2020 8:00 PM

BOBCAT FIRE

TODAY

The Bobcat Fire grew to 33, 312 acres with 6% containment today. Crews conducted strategic firing operations in the south as the fire remained very active reaching Chantry Flat in Santa Anita Canyon. There has been significant western growth towards Mt. Wilson and Mt. Harvard where hand crews and dozers are working to protect the area. Fire activity is expected to grow north where crews continue to conduct firing operations. Numerous spot fires near Buckhorn Flat and Highway 2 were successfully contained. On the west, the fire is staying within containment lines near Highway 39. The Station, Ranch2 and Fish fire scars are helping moderate fire activity due to low fuel loads. Tonight, the priority will remain to protect foothill communities using additional resources that arrived today. Tomorrow, Sept. 14, fire management will host a virtual public meeting via Zoom at 6:30 PM. Representatives from the Bobcat Fire will be available to provide an update and respond to your questions. For the Zoom Meeting ID please visit the Angeles National Forest Twitter, Facebook or Bobcat InciWeb.

YESTERDAY

Crews worked actively all last night on the southern end of the fire where it continued burning downhill into the foothill communities. Fire crews saw heavy fire activity in the north and south ends of the Bobcat Fire yesterday. On the south end, the fire reached Santa Anita Canyon area and remained active overnight.

WEATHER

Warm and dry conditions continued across the fire today. The smoke was thinner today, allowing for the warmer and drier conditions and active fire behavior. Afternoon winds were a bit stronger than previous days with southwesterly/upcanyon winds gusting to around 15 MPH. For tonight, similar conditions will persist are expected with limited humidity recovery and weak northeasterly/downcanyon winds.

EVACUATION ALERTS

Evacuation Orders: A mandatory evacuation order has been issued for all residents north of Elkins Ave. and east of Santa Anita Ave. in the City of Arcadia and portions of Sierra Madre. Residents are advised to evacuate the area using Santa Anita Ave. San Gabriel Canyon including Camp Williams remains under an Evacuation Order. A Red Cross Evacuation Center has been established at Santa Anita Park, located at 285 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia, CA, 91007. Residents are advised to enter through Gate 5.

Evacuation Warnings: Residents north of Foothill Blvd. and east of Santa Anita Ave. remain under an evacuation warning. Evacuation Warnings remain in effect for the foothill communities of Monrovia, Bradbury, Sierra Madre, Altadena, Duarte and Pasadena.

SUMMARY:

The Bobcat Fire started on September 6th at 12:21. The fire is located near the Cogswell Dam and West Fork Day Use area. The fire is burning in heavy fuels with a rapid rate of spread.













INCIDENT STATISTICS

Location of Origin: Angeles National

Forest, Azusa, CA

Start date: September 6, 2020 Size: Approximately 33,312 acres Percent Contained: 6%

Cause: Under Investigation **Resources Assigned**: 888 personnel

Engines: 78
Handcrews: 17
Helicopters: 5
Aircraft: 4
Dozers: 8
Water tenders: 5

CLOSURES:

Road Closures:

- San Gabriel Canyon Rd (HWY 39) is closed at Old San Gabriel Cyn Rd.
- SR 2 (Angeles Crest Hwy.) is closed from Upper Big Tujunga Canyon Road to Big Pines.
- Glendora Ridge & Mountain Roads

All 18 California National Forests are under a Closure Order; this includes the Angeles National Forest. The Forest is closed to all general activity, including developed campgrounds and day-use sites due to wildfire threat. Prohibition of the use of any ignition sources (campfires, gas stoves, grills etc.).

SAFETY:

A temporary flight restriction is in place over the fire area. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone. Visit Know Before You Fly: knowbeforeyoufly.org.

COOPERATORS:

Los Angeles County Fire Dept.
Los Angeles County OEM
City of Monrovia
City of Bradbury
City of Sierra Madre
City of Arcadia
Community of Altadena
City of Duarte
City of Pasadena
City of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
American Red Cross Los Angeles
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