



News Release

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Rough Fire Update August 11, 2015

Summary

At this time the fire continues to follow the terrain, creating a mosaic effect between burned and unburned fuels. It continues to grow at a slow to moderate rate of spread in all directions; moving north towards Spanish Mountain; east into the Monarch Wilderness, crossing over Brush Canyon and backing down to Tombstone Creek; west into Rough Creek and south towards Kings River. A rapid rate of spread can be anticipated if the terrain, fuels and weather align together. The southwest portion of the fire can be viewed on Sierra Wildland Fire Reporting System, Buck Rock webcam #3 at: <http://bit.ly/1DEcc0D>.

Wednesday additional overhead from a National Incident Management Organization (NIMO) team will join the Sierra National Forest, Type 3 organization in managing the fire.

Closures

Currently there are no closures on the Sierra or Sequoia National Forests. Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks remain fully open with no closures.

Visitors may experience smoke impacts in many popular recreational areas including Wishon Reservoir, Hume Lake and Cedar Grove area. For air quality updates visit <http://www.valleyair.org/aqinfo/forecast.htm> for more information.

Fire Restrictions

Fire restrictions are in place for the Sierra National Forest. Campfires are only allowed in designated developed recreation sites.

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Acres burned: 5,226
Containment: 0
Fire Start: July 31, 2015

Cause: Lightening
Total personnel: 217