



# BOBCAT FIRE

**FIRE UPDATE**  
Wednesday September 23, 2020  
8:00 PM

## TODAY

Much of the work today was focused on completing the strategic defensive firing operation from last night. Crews searched any remaining unburnt fuels and brought the containment line to HWY-2. Additionally, operations officials flew the fire near the 2009 Station Fire burn scar looking for any potential areas of concerns, however, they were able to construct handline directly near Red Box Picnic Area. Meanwhile, firefighters continued to patrol and monitor the containment lines near the foothill communities finding mostly cold containment line.

## Tonight

Work will continue to fortify the areas that were strategically burned to improve containment while continued patrols and mop-up on hotpots near the fire line. There may be additional strategic burning in areas where the fire continues to push North, East and to the West. Personnel will be holding the portion of the line in the Northeast and big rock creek and monitor and patrol the area from big rock creek all the way south back to Mt Wilson. Structural engines continued to secure areas around structures. Dozers and hand crew will work though the evening completing handlines on direct and indirect lines in both the West and Eastern portions of the fireline.

## WEATHER

The weather tonight and on Friday will continue to be warm and dry. Friday and Saturday will be similar. A high-pressure system will come into place in the next couple days with above average temperature and very low relative humidities, with the possibility of breezy northeast to easterly winds (santa ana winds).

## EVACUATION ALERTS

### Evacuation Orders:

- South and West of Upper Big Tujunga.
- East of Angeles Forest Hwy.
- North of Angeles Crest Hwy.
- Residences along Angeles Crest Highway, between Angeles Forest Highway and Highway 39.
- The unincorporated areas of Juniper Hills, Devils Punch Bowl, and Paradise Springs.
- The unincorporated areas of Crystal Lake, East Fork of the San Gabriel River, and Camp Williams.
- South of Hwy 138, North of Big Rock Creek, East of 87<sup>th</sup> St East, and West of Largo Vista Rd.

### Evacuation Warnings:

- City of Pasadena
- Unincorporated communities of Altadena and Wrightwood.
- South of Pearblossom Hwy, East and North of Angeles Forest Hwy, North and West of Mt. Emma Rd., East and South of Hwy 122, and West of Cheseboro Rd.
- South of Hwy 2, North of Blue Ridge Truck Trail, East of Hwy 39, and West of the Los Angeles Co. border.
- South of Ave U-8, North of East Ave W-14, East of 121st East, and West of 155th St East. (Longview)
- South of Pearblossom Hwy (Hwy 138), South and East of Pearblossom Hwy (Hwy 122), North and West of Mt. Emma Rd., North and East of Angeles Forest Hwy, and West of Cheseboro Rd. (Emma)
- South of Mt. Emma Rd., North of Upper Big Tujunga Canyon Rd., East of Angeles Forest Highway, and West of Pacifico Mountain
- Littlerock: East of Cheseboro Road, South of Pearblossom Hwy, North of Weber Ranch Rd, West of 87<sup>th</sup> St E.
- South of 138<sup>th</sup> St. East, North of Big Pine Hwy and Hwy 2, East of Largo Vista Rd., and West of 263<sup>rd</sup> St. East.
- South of Hwy 138, North of East Ave W-14, East of 155<sup>th</sup> St East, and West of 165<sup>th</sup> St. East.
- North of Tejon Road, south of east Ave V, east of 87<sup>th</sup> St East, west 121 St East.

For ongoing evacuation alerts, visit: [LA County Sheriff's Dept. Twitter @LASHQ](#) or [inciweb.nwcg.gov](#).

A Red Cross Evacuation Center has been established at **Palmdale High School**, located at **2137 E Avenue R, Palmdale, 93550**. The first evacuation point at Santa Anita Park is now closed and anyone still needing assistance can call the **Disaster Distress Hotline at 800-675-5799**. Accommodations for large animals is available at the **Antelope Valley Fairgrounds at 2551 W Avenue H, Lancaster, CA 93536**.

## SUMMARY:

The Bobcat Fire started on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:21 PM. 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 113,733 acres

**Percent Contained:** 39%

**Cause:** Under Investigation

**Resources Assigned:** 1,613 personnel

Engines: 170

Handcrews: 25

Helicopters: 11

Dozers: 23

Water tenders: 10

### CLOSURES:

Road Closures:

- All roads leading into San Gabriel Canyon.
- Hwy 39 is closed north of Azusa to SR 2.
- SR 2 between Upper Big Tujunga Rd to Big Pines.
- Upper Big Tujunga Road between SR 2 and Angeles Forest Highway.
- Chantry Flat Road is closed.
- Mt Wilson Road from SR 2 to Mt Wilson.
- Fort Tejon / Valyermo Rd
- Valyermo Rd / Bob's Gap Rd
- Big Pines Hwy / Largo Vista Rd
- Big Pines Hwy / Mescal Creek Rd
- Big Pines Hwy / Hwy 2

Today the Angeles National Forest extended their closure order through October 1, 2020. Additionally, the Forest Service has extended its temporary Regional Forest Closure Order to Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. Forests included in this closure are: Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres, San Bernardino, Inyo, Sequoia, Sierra, Klamath, and Six Rivers. 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, etc.).

### SAFETY:

A temporary flight restriction is in place over the fire. 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
- Community of Altadena
- City of Duarte
- City of Pasadena
- City of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
- American Red Cross Los Angeles
- Disaster Management Area C & D
- Caltrans
- California Highway Patrol
- Los Angeles County Public Works
- Southern California Edison

Inciweb: [inciweb.nwcg.gov](#), search "bobcat"

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Fire Information Hotline: 626-574-5208 (8 am to 8 pm daily)

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