

Incident Information

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GEORGES FIRE

Georges Fire Incident Information:

Last Updated:	September 04, 2018 3:23 pm
Date/Time Started:	July 08, 2018 1:36 pm
Administrative Unit:	Inyo National Forest Service
County:	Inyo County
Location:	off Hogback and Whitney Portal Road, Alabama Hills
Acres Burned - Containment:	*** This is not a CAL FIRE incident. Click the link for more information on this fire.
Evacuations:	Evacuations lifted for the Whitney Portal area, including campgrounds, residents, and the Whitney Portal Store. The Whitney Portal Road was opened under the authority of the Inyo County Sheriff. The area was closed for the public's safety due to the fire. The Eastern Sierra Visitor Center and the Wilderness Permit Office have returned to normal business hours.
Road Closures:	Some closures still exist in the fire area. Please avoid the fire area for your safety and for our firefighters' safety.
Cause:	Lightning
Total Fire Personnel:	564
Total Fire Engines:	22
Total Fire Crews:	20
Total Helicopters:	7
Total Dozers:	3
Total Water Tenders:	4
Long/Lat:	-118.21881/36.6734
Conditions:	<p>The incident transitioned out of Unified Command. The fire is being managed by SoCal Team 3, a Type 2 incident management team (assigned to the Inyo National Forest). Tomorrow, management of the fire will transition to a local Type 4 team, comprised of your local firefighters from the Inyo National Forest.</p> <p>Much of the fireline of the Georges Fire is in steep, inaccessible terrain. Firefighters cannot safely gauge if these areas are contained or if pockets of heat still remain. However, the monsoonal moisture has substantially diminished the fire activity.</p> <p>Crews will continue suppression repair, mop up, and collecting remaining backhaul. Firefighters will continue to patrol in the fire area. No structures have been destroyed, and no reportable injuries occurred.</p> <p>Precipitation is likely today with some potential for erratic downdraft winds likely. Thunderstorms remain in the forecast and will decrease over the weekend.</p> <p>The area burned is 82% U. S. Forest Service (2,364 acres), 12% Bureau of Land Management (345 acres), and 5% Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (154 acres).</p> <p>Visit Inciweb for future updates on this fire.</p>