



## California Wildfires Fact Sheet *Updated July 2, 2008*

### Overview

On June 21, a record number of wildfires were sparked by dry lightning strikes in northern California. Firefighters have been fighting the blazes over the last week; however, dry conditions, rugged terrain and winds are making efforts to contain the fires challenging. As of July 2, there were 1,459 fires burning with 435,894 acres burned to date.

The governor has declared the following counties as state disasters: Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta and Trinity. The president activated federal disaster declarations over the weekend.

Areas of Monterey and Shasta counties are under evacuation orders at this time. Precautionary evacuation orders are in place for areas in Butte, Kern, Mendocino, Monterey and Shasta counties.

The American Red Cross has been providing shelter, food and information to those affected by the wildfires throughout California. During the past week, affected chapters have staffed evacuation centers and shelters and provided mobile feeding and canteening, as required. Currently, the Red Cross has three shelters and two evacuation centers open in California. The Red Cross has several facilities on standby and workers are on alert to open shelters or evacuation centers should additional evacuations be required.

#### CALFIRE Information Hotlines

- Butte County – Butte Lightning Complex Fire – (530) 538-7826
- Monterey County – Basin Complex Fire (Gallery and Basin Fires) – (805) 961-5770
- Monterey County – Indians Fire – (805) 961-5770
- Mendocino County – Mendocino Lightning Complex Fire – (707) 467-6426
- Shasta/Trinity Counties – Shasta and Trinity Lightning Fire – (530) 225-2510

### Service Delivery Summary

#### Red Cross Shelters

- Kern County – Kern Valley High School, 3340 Erskine Creek Road, Lake Isabella – no overnight residents on July 1
- Monterey County – Carmel Middle School, 4380 Carmel Valley Rd, Carmel – expected to be open on July 2
- Santa Barbara County – San Marcos High School, 1615 W. San Marcos Blvd., San Marcos – no overnight residents on July 1

#### Red Cross Evacuation Centers

- Kern County – Kern River Valley Senior Center/Veterans Hall, 6405 Lake Isabella Blvd, Lake Isabella
- Kern County – Twin Oaks Community Church, 16115 Caliente Creek Rd, Caliente

#### On-Standby Shelter/Evacuation Center Facilities

- Butte County – Las Plumas High School, 2350 Las Plumas, Oroville
- Butte County – Neighborhood Church, 2801 Notre Dame Blvd, Chico
- Mendocino County – Fort Bragg High School, 300 Dana Street, Fort Bragg
- Mendocino County – Willits High School, 299 North Main Street, Willits
- Mendocino County – Ukiah Junior Academy, 180 Stipp Lane, Ukiah

- Mendocino County – Point Arena High School, 270 Lake Street, Point Arena
- Monterey County – Pacific Valley Elementary School, 69325 Highway One, Big Sur
- Trinity County – Weaverville Elementary School, 234 Trinity Lake Rd, Weaverville
- Shasta County – Grant School, 8835 Swasey Drive, Redding

#### On-Standby Emergency Meal Services

- Nevada County (to provide service to Butte, Shasta and Trinity Counties) – Southern Baptist Mobile Kitchens on two-hour alert
- Butte County – Two Emergency Response Vehicles on-site for mobile feeding, canteening, etc.

#### Animal Evacuation Centers

- Butte County – Spring Valley Look Ahead Clinic, 1451 Clark Road, Oroville
- Butte County – Chico State University, Chico Farm, 400 West First Street, Chico
- Monterey County – SPCA of Monterey County, contact (831) 646-5534 for information
- Santa Barbara County – co-located with Red Cross shelter at San Marcos High School, 1615 W. San Marcos Blvd., San Marcos, large animal evacuation hotline is (805) 681-4332
- Trinity County – Trinity County Animal Shelter, 563 Mountain View, Weaverville