

POWER INCIDENT UPDATE

October 10, 2004

Information: 209-295-0509

The Northern California Incident Management Team, with Incident Commander John Wendt, is assigned to manage the incident for the Eldorado National Forest.

Size: 418 acres

Started: October 6, 2004

Containment: 85% contained, changed due to increased risk from today's strong, gusting winds.

Location: The fire is located about 17 miles East of Pioneer, California above (North) Salt Springs Reservoir.

Current Situation:

- Strong down canyon winds, to 30 mph, are causing flare-ups that are burning fuel islands within the fires' perimeter.
- Fireline around the fire was completed at noon, October 9th and mop up continues to secure the perimeter of the fire.
- Fireline rehabilitation has started.
- No structures and improvements are threatened.
- Resources assigned to the fire include: 12 crews, 7 engines, 7 water tenders, 1 dozer, 4 helicopters and 105 overhead, for a total of 430 personnel.
- Demobilization of some resources has begun.
- Highway 88 is open, but the public is reminded to slow down driving past Fire Camp, located on both sides of Highway 88 at the Lumberyard Fire Station.
- Due to road closures, recreationists planning a trip to the Salt Springs Reservoir or to the Mokelumne Canyon are discouraged from coming.

Cooperating Agencies:

USDA Forest Service, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Highway Patrol, Amador Fire Department, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Caltrans, and other local/county fire units.