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San Bernardino County Fire Mutual Aid Update

San Bernardino County Firefighters continue to operate on multiple fires throughout California, assisting in wildfire suppression, incident management teams (IMT) and station coverage. In total County Fire has more than 60 personnel assigned. Our stations remain fully staffed and ready to respond. California has experienced a historic lightning siege that has resulted in approximately 10,849 lightning strikes across the state causing more than 367 new fires. 6,900 fire personnel from State, local and federal agencies remain assigned to these incidents.

Type III Strike Team 6231C:

First deployed last week to the “Lake Fire” and worked multiple days. Crews have been reassigned to the Carmel Fire near Salinas.

BE228 - San Bernardino

BE163 - Upland

BE10 - Phelan

BE75 - Muscoy

BE25 - Crestline

BC141 Steven Tracy - (Strike Team Leader)

BC120 - Jason Serrano (Strike Team Leader Trainee)

Strike Team 6820A

Three SBCoFD crews have staffed up and are on the Lightning Complex Fire near San Jose California. Crews drove through the night and have been engaged in structure defense. Yesterday crews protected a historic observatory. The complex has burned more than 157,000 acres.

OES422- Yucca Valley (FS42)

OES423- San Bernardino (FS231)

OES424 - Upland (FS164)

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/.../2020/8/18/scu-lightning-complex/>

Lake Fire Resources:

-WT78 Deployed (Captain & Engineer) -

-Safety Officer (Fire Captain)

-The Lake Fire is currently 27,841 acres and is 31% contained.

-Lake Fire InciWeb - <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6953/>

Ranch2 Fire:

- Crew 6-1 (Old Cajon) deployed with 20 personnel.
- Chief Officer deployed with IMT as Division Group Supervisor.
- The Ranch2 Fire has burned more than 4,200 acres in The Los Angeles National Forest.
- Ranch2 InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6961>

CAL-FIRE Coverage:

- SBCoFD is assisting CALFIRE BDU with State Mission coverage while crews are deployed.
- BE41 covering CALFIRE Yucca Valley station. ME41 still staffed out of FS41.
- BE26 covering CALFIRE Crestline Station. ME25 still staffed out of FS26.
- BE22 - Covering CALFIRE Lucerne Valley station, ME8 still staffed of FS8.
- BE227 - Covering CALFIRE Sky Forest station, ME227 still available.
- Dozer 2 - Covering from CALFIRE San Bernardino Headquarters, San Bernardino.

LNU Lightning Complex:

- One Firefighter Paramedic is functioning as Line Paramedic.
- One Captain as Division Group Supervisor

Cold Springs Fire

- Two Battalion Chiefs and Captain deployed as part of an IMT.

Mendocino Complex

- One GIS Specialist deployed at a GIS-T

San Bernardino Tanker Base:

- ARFF Crews have up-staffed to support the increased activity associated with San Bernardino Tanker base. Base staff have stayed busy keeping air tankers filled with fire retardant. ARFF crews from Station 233 remain at the ready to support their operation.

Dome Fire:

SBCoFD provided resources for the initial attack on the rapidly moving wildfire burning in the Mojave National Preserve.

Dome Fire InciWeb - <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7000/>

- 2 Engine, 5 Patrols, 1 Water Tender & 2 Battalion Chiefs were deployed originally on initial attack and since have been released.
- The Dome Fire on the Mojave National Preserve has burned more than 42,000 acres and is 93% contained.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department is an all-risk/full-service fire department committed to providing the highest level of service in the most efficient and cost-effective manner to the citizens and communities that we serve. Our jurisdiction encompasses 19,278 square miles of extremely diverse environments that stretch from the Los Angeles County line on the west, to the Colorado River on the east, to the Nevada State line and Kern and Inyo counties on the north. We provide services to more than 60 communities/cities and all unincorporated areas of the county.

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