



# BOBCAT FIRE

## FIRE UPDATE

Sunday September 20, 2020

8:00 AM

### TODAY

Today's priorities for work on the Bobcat Fire are to continue work on the control lines. These lines are being built in the northeastern and northwestern portions of the fire in order to stop the forward progression. Additionally, firefighters will continue to mop up and secure the areas around structures where the fire burned into Antelope Valley and Juniper Hills. We will also be looking for ways to secure the line between Mt. Wilson and Highway 2 to eliminate the threat to that area. Residents are urged to remain alert for any additional evacuation orders or warnings that may be issued. For information on evacuations follow **LA County Sheriff's Dept.** Twitter at @LASDHQ or <https://bit.ly/35Uy9Ld>

### YESTERDAY

Additional evacuations were ordered for residents in the Antelope Valley yesterday. Yesterday and into the night the fire remained active due to windy conditions, especially on the north end. Over the evening the fire did moderate some and work started on direct lines. Successful strategic firing occurred to secure the area around Mt. Wilson last night. Aside from Mt. Wilson, the fire remained quiet from Crystal Lake all the way around the south end back up to Highway 2.

### WEATHER

The weather today will be mostly clear with areas of smoke and temperatures will be steady throughout the day. Humidity will drop into the teens again and winds will remain southerly, with the strongest winds occurring in the northern portion of the fire again. A warming and drying trend is expected for mid-week.

### EVACUATION ALERTS

#### Evacuation Orders:

- South of 138th St East, North of Big Pines Hwy & Hwy 2, West of 263rd East, East of Largo Vista Rd.
- North of Angeles Crest North and between Clear Creek Station and Hwy 39.
- East of Devils PunchBowl Rd, South of Big Pines Hwy, North of Big Rock Creek, & West of Jackson Lake.
- Aqueduct: South of Pearblossom Hwy (SR138), North of Big Pines, East of 165th and West of Largo Vista Rd.
- Ward: North of Fort Tejon Rd, South of Avenue V, East of 87th E., West of 121 St E.
- Longview: South of Avenue 12, North of Aqueduct, West of 165 St E and East of 121 St E.
- Tejon: South of Fort Tejon Rd, North of Cooley Place, East of 89th St. E. and West of Longview Rd.
- Peach: North of Pallett Creek, South of W. 114th St., East of Longview Rd and West of 165th St.
- Cima Block: 96th east to 116th St. E/Fort Tejon Rd south to SR 2.
- Juniper Block: 116th E to Devis Punchbowl Rd / Fort Tejon Rd to SR 2.
- Punchbowl Block: Devils Punchbowl Rd to and including Fenner Camp.
- Paradise Block: Fenner Camp to intersection of SR 2 and Big Pines.
- Chilao, the CalTrans Yard, the 3 Points area and the Angeles Crest Christian Camp were all issued Evacuation Orders. Crystal Lake area remains under Evacuation Order.

For ongoing evacuation orders & alerts, visit: [inciweb.nwcg.gov](http://inciweb.nwcg.gov) & search "Bobcat"

#### Evacuation Warnings:

Recent evacuation warnings include; 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. Evacuation Warnings remain in effect for the communities of Wrightwood, Altadena and Pasadena.

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**. Antelope Valley Fairgrounds for large animals

### 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 99,428 acres  
**Percent Contained:** 15%  
**Cause:** Under Investigation  
**Resources Assigned:** 1,686 personnel  
Engines: 216  
Handcrews: 25  
Helicopters: 6  
Dozers: 18  
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 ibetween Upper Big Tujunga Rd to Big Pines.
  - Upper Big Tujunga Road ibetween SR 2 and Angeles Forest Highway.
  - Chantry Flat Road is closed.
  - Mt Wilson Road from SR 2 to Mt Wilson.
  - Fort Tejon / Valerymo Rd
  - Valerymo Rd / Bob's Gap Rd
  - Big Pines Hwy / Largo Vista Rd
  - Big Pines Hwy / Mescal Creek Rd
  - Big Pines Hwy / Hwy 2

All 18 CA National Forests are under a Closure Order; this includes the Angeles National Forest. The closure has been extended to Sept. 21. 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 area. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone. Visit Know Before You Fly: [knowbeforeyoufly.org](http://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

Inciweb: [inciweb.nwcg.gov](http://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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