



# BOBCAT FIRE

## FIRE UPDATE

Saturday, September 26, 2020  
8:00 AM

### TODAY

Work continues on the northeastern corner of the fire around Dorr Canyon and Rock Creek Rd where the fire has reached the creek bottom. Personnel supported with aircraft will continue to hold and monitor containment lines and prepare for defensive strategic firing if conditions allow. Around the fire's perimeter, engines and crews will scout out then mop-up, patrol, monitoring and extinguishing any hot spots that may remain. Continued efforts will be made today and tomorrow to securing the west side of the fire prior to a forecasted wind shift to the northeast on Sunday. Residents will continue to see smoke from burning islands will within the perimeters. Engines will remain available in the north for smoke checks near the communities. Yesterday evacuation orders for Antelope Valley areas were lifted and changed to warnings and previously evacuated residents in these areas were able to return home. A moderate Santa Ana wind event is forecasted for early next week, fire crews will work to ensure priority areas remain ready. Repopulation efforts continue with help from Los Angeles County Occupancy support. For more information visit: <https://rb.gv/flykjl>.

### YESTERDAY

The northern portion of the fire near Mt. Lewis remained active with short runs and flare ups. Overnight crews worked to monitor this area to ensure it did not cross Highway 2. To the north of Mt. Wilson, firefighters continued to add depth to the holding lines and monitoring internal heat islands. In the north end, crews continued cold trailing and mopping up around structures. On the eastern perimeter of the fire activity remained low from Santa Anita Canyon to Mt. Wilson.

### WEATHER

Weather today will once again feature warm and dry conditions with typical afternoon breezes. Humidity will be at its lowest in the morning and rise in the afternoon. Sunday will see the beginning of a warming and drying trend and a shift to easterly winds. A Santa Anna wind event is possible for Monday into Tuesday and this combined with abnormally high temperatures and very low humidity will lead to near critical fire weather conditions.

### EVACUATION ORDERS

- South of Highway Big Pines Highway, east of Devil's Punchbowls, west of Largo Vista Road., and north of the forest.
- South and west of Upper Big Tujunga Canyon, east of Angeles Forest Highway, and North of Angeles Crest Highway.
- Residences along Angeles Crest Highway, between Angeles Forest Highway and Highway 39.

### EVACUATION WARNINGS

- South of Fort Tejon Road and E. Avenue W-14, east of 87<sup>th</sup> Street E., west of 165<sup>th</sup> Street E and Devil's Punchbowl, and north of the forest and Big Pines Highway.
- South of Highway 138, east of 165<sup>th</sup> Street E., west of Largo Vista Road, and north of Big Pines Highway.
- South of Big Pines Highway, east of Largo Vista Road, west of 263<sup>rd</sup> Street E. (county line), and north of the forest.
- South of Highway 138, north of Weber Ranch Road, east of Cheseboro Road, and west of 87<sup>th</sup> Street E.
- South of Pearblossom Highway, south and east of Highway 122 (Sierra Hwy/Pearblossom), north and west of Mount Emma Road, west of Cheseboro Road, north and east of Angeles Forest Highway.
- South of Mt. Emma Rd., North of Upper Big Tujunga Canyon Rd., East of Angeles Forest Highway, and West of Pacifico Mountain
- East Fork Areas: Julius Klein Conservation Camp 19, Camp Williams, and the River Community.
- Unincorporated community of Wrightwood

The Red Cross Evacuation Centers at Palmdale High School and Santa Anita Park are now closed. Anyone still needing assistance can call the **Disaster Distress Hotline at 800-675-5799**.

### 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 114,004 acres  
**Percent Contained:** 61%  
**Cause:** Under Investigation  
**Resources Assigned:** 1,554 personnel  
Engines: 147  
Handcrews: 27  
Helicopters: 15  
Dozers: 21  
Water tenders: 12

### CLOSURES:

- Angeles Forest Hwy, from Sierra Hwy to Angeles Crest Hwy
  - SR 2 between Angeles Forest Highway and a point 2.2 miles east of the junction with I210
  - SR 2 between Angeles Forest Highway to Big Pines
  - All roads leading into San Gabriel Canyon.
  - Big Tujunga Canyon Road, from Vogel Flats to Angeles Forest Highway
  - Big Pines Highway, from Largo Vista to Valyermo Rd
  - Big Rock Creek Rd, from Big Pines Hwy to 5 Miles South of Big Pines Hwy
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- For more road closures visit: [go.usa.gov/xGpTF](http://go.usa.gov/xGpTF)

The Forest Service has extended its temporary Regional Forest Closure Order to Sept. 30th. Forests included in this closure are: Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres, San Bernardino, Inyo, Sequoia, Sierra, Klamath, and Six Rivers. 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. 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
- Southern California Edison

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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