



CALDOR FIRE

Daily Update



Friday, October 22, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

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Summary: Incident management teams work hand in hand with land management agencies to identify areas critical for immediate repair work. As weather moves into the area, crews are focusing repair efforts along the Mormon Emigrant Trail (MET), Capps Creek Road and Plummer’s ridge, removing hazard trees and clearing debris from culverts.

Suppression repair can take on a variety of forms. The following repair tactics are occurring on the Caldor Fire:

- Installing water bars and other drainage diversion to help direct heavy run off events
- Masticating and chipping debris and spreading the resulting slash and mulch to protect bare soils and reduce the potential for erosion and unauthorized travel
- Repairing damaged road drainages (culverts)
- Clearing stream channels and other structures such as culverts from debris to improve water quality
- Removing hazardous trees
- Repairing damages to transportation system roads to ensure public access

Fire suppression repair differs from rehabilitation efforts as it is a series of immediate post-fire actions taken to repair damages and minimize potential soil erosion and impacts resulting from fire suppression activities. It usually begins before the fire is contained, and before the demobilization of an incident management team.

A Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team looks more long term. The BAER team has identified and started implementing emergency stabilization actions to reduce post fire threats to life, property, and critical natural and cultural resources. Threats include determining where post-fire rain events could increase runoff and flooding, erosion and sediment delivery, debris flows, and high-risk areas for the spread of invasive weeds. For more information on BAER team action visit: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7842/>

Weather: A significant weather pattern over the area is expected to bring ample precipitation. The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued Flash Flood, Flood Watch and a Winter Storm Warning for the area. There is a possibility that high elevations could receive up to 36 inches of snow. The public is urged to be careful and consider the weather prior to traveling.

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	Southeast of Placerville, CA along US 50 to South Lake Tahoe
Approximate Acreage	221,835 Acres
Containment	100%
Repair Completed	52% line construction (ex: dozers & hand lines) 40% isolated areas (ex: airdrops, staging)
Start Date	8/14/2021
Cause	Under Investigation
Incident Commander	Jeff Knudson, Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #7
Total Personnel	526
Online Links	
Inciweb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7801/	
Facebook: @EldoradoNF @LakeTahoeUSFS	
Twitter: @EldoradoNF @LakeTahoeUSFS	
ELDORADO NATIONAL FOREST:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Order 03-21-19 - Area, Road, and Trail Closure • Forest Order 03-21-20 - Fire Restrictions 	
LAKE TAHOE BASIN MANAGEMENT UNIT (LTBMU):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forest Order 19-21-06 – Emergency Closure • Forest Order 19-21-01 – Fire Restrictions 	