



# WOODWARD FIRE

Northern Rockies National Incident Management Team 2  
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A marine layer persisted over the fire for most of yesterday, continuing to moderate fire behavior over much of the area. Fire activity increased in the afternoon with tree torching in the northwest and fire backing down the slopes on the east side. Air resources were mostly grounded due to poor visibility but were able to operate for a short time later in the day. Several spot fires were observed across the Bear Valley Trail but crews in that area were able to secure them quickly and keep the fire from getting established. Crews continue to attack the fire both directly and indirectly, reinforcing existing containment lines and building additional contingency lines.

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**Weather:** Fire behavior continues to be strongly influenced by the marine layer and amount of direct sunlight which dries out the vegetation. The marine layer is expected to be present over all portions of the fire this morning and remain over the coastal area through the afternoon. Humidity of 60–100% is expected across the fire area with high temperatures generally in the 60’s to 70’s. Winds are expected to be WSW 3–8 mph with gusts to 15 mph.

**Evacuations:** Evacuation information has not changed since Monday, August 24. To view the most recent evacuation orders and alerts in Marin County please visit <https://bit.ly/2QqxVm4>. An interactive map of the area is also available that shows current fire extent, hot spots, and evacuation status at <https://bit.ly/2Ex41Ko>.

### Fire Information

Origin: August 18, 2020

Cause: lightning strike

Location: 3 mi SW of Olema, CA

Area Burned: 2860 acres

Containment: 8%

Total Personnel: 428

- Crews: 12
- Engines: 19
- Helicopters: 5
- Planes: 2
- Dozers: 2
- Masticators: 4



**Donations:** We continue to receive generous donation offers and truly appreciate all of them. However, in order to keep all of our firefighters safe from potential exposure to COVID-19, we are not able to accept items from the community. If you would like to show

support, please post “thank you” signs along roadways and in the community where the firefighters will see them. You may also consider making a donation to the Wildland Firefighter Foundation <https://wffoundation.org> or a local charity.

**Closures:** Point Reyes National Seashore is closed to the public until further notice. Coastal roadways are restricted to local traffic only to provide for the safety of firefighting resources and in the event further evacuations are required.