



Point Reyes National Seashore Woodward Fire Update Thursday, September 24, 2020

Welcome to our new Incident Command team!

Correction: John Postlewaite is the Woodward Fire’s Incident Commander. John works on Yosemite Helitack (park helicopter). Katie DeRosier is the Woodward Fire’s Incident Commander Trainee. Katie also works at Yosemite as an Assistant Engine Captain.

What occurred over the week:

The Woodward fire continues to burn in the interior in large stumps and down logs. Small pockets of heat have been detected near the fire perimeter, and crews have been mopping up and continue to patrol for new sources of heat along the fire perimeter. Crews are focusing on chipping along Limantour and Bear Valley road in efforts to open the closed roads.

Anticipated fire activity:

The containment date is updated to September 29, due to forecasted high winds and unseasonably warm and dry weather for the area. This will likely increase fire activity. There will be visible smoke seen from where the fire is smoldering in large logs and stumps. This may produce significant smoke as interior fuels continue to dry out and burn.

Safety reminder:

Park visitors and area residents are asked to be mindful of park closures that remain in effect. While it might not look dangerous, if you were to go into a closed area, and something were to happen to you and you required assistance, everyone might be put in harm’s way. Thank you for your continued patience during this extraordinary time!

Quick Facts	
Incident Summary	
Fire Location	3 miles SW of Olema, California
Approximate Acreage	4,929 acres
Containment	97%
Reported Date (Cause)	August 18, 2020 (Lightning)
Incident Commander & Incident Commander trainee	John Postlewaite- Yosemite NP, Katie DeRosier – IC trainee – Yosemite NP
Total Resources	2 Type 6 engines
Total Personnel	12
Cooperating Agencies	Marin County Fire, Marin County Sheriff
Number of Injuries/Illnesses	8 (minor)
Number of structures lost	0
Online Links	
InciWeb https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7062	
nps.gov https://go.nps.gov/pore/woodwardfire	
Facebook https://facebook.com/PointReyesNPS	
Closures and Fire Restrictions Marin County Sheriff’s Department 415-473-7250	