



1998 Canyon Fires Update

September 10, 1998
12:00 p.m.

Due to the extreme heat, the winds, and the added brush from the El Niño season, Orange County firefighters have had their hands full with battling several fires in the county. There have been fires in Carbon Canyon (near Brea), Holy Jim Canyon (in the Cleveland National Forest), and Santiago Canyon (by Irvine Lake).

STATISTICS:

	Holy Jim Canyon	Carbon Canyon	Santiago Canyon
Cause:	Incendiary	Lightning	Lightning
Began:	August 31, 12:27 p.m.	August 31, 9:26 p.m.	August 31, 9:36 p.m.
Fully Controlled:	September 2	September 3	September 6
Acreage:	100	1,000	9,000
Total Personnel:	319	259	1,359
Total Injuries:	1	0	8
Total Engines:	55	35	99
Total Bulldozers:	2	3	19
Total Water Tenders:	5	4	11
Total Helicopters:	6	2	11
Total Air Tankers:	5	0 Diverted	10
Total Other Units:	9	26	45
Agencies Participating:	8	18	36
Estimated Suppression Cost:	\$67,945	\$68,924	\$2 Million