



Sierra Fire Update



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Thursday, February 16, 2006,
10:00 AM

TIME OF ALARM: 4:28 AM, Monday, February 6, 2006

OCFA INCIDENT#: 009206

INCIDENT NAME: Sierra Fire

LOCATION: The fire began at Sierra Peak in the Cleveland National Forest.

CONDITIONS ON ARRIVAL: 5-10 acre vegetation fire, heavy brush, rapid rate of spread.

ACRES BURNED AT THE TIME OF THIS REPORT: 10,854 acres.

STRUCTURES BURNED: None

REPORTED INJURIES: Eight minor injuries to firefighters

PRELIMINARY CAUSE OF FIRE: Escaped Prescription Burn

CURRENT CONDITION: 100% Containment achieved at 7:00 PM, Sunday, February 12. (Containment means that the fire has been surrounded on all sides by some kind of boundary.)

Regular patrols will continue for awhile. Residents may see dust clouds of ash that could be mistaken for smoke from gusts of wind or vehicles. Crews are working through out the area to performing rehabilitation.

ESTIMATED CONTROL DATE: Thursday, February 16, 2006 at 6:00 PM. (Full control means that there is no longer a threat of the fire jumping over the containment lines.)

ESTIMATED COST OF FIREFIGHTING EFFORT: \$7.1 million

WEATHER CONDITIONS: The [Red Flag Warning](#) from the [National Weather Service](#) has been cancelled.

FROM THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY:

The Orange County Fire Authority, on behalf of ALL the responding agencies, thanks the members of our community for all of their cooperation and understanding of the evacuations and closure of the 241 toll way. It is this type of cooperation that greatly enhances our operational capabilities and allows us to achieve our very first priority; keeping our neighbors and our firefighters safe and which is followed by protection of the threatened communities of Orange Hills and Anaheim Hills.

“By working with us, you helped us to achieve our goals and objectives in controlling this fire and preventing structures from burning,” said Chip Prather, Fire Chief of Orange County Fire Authority. “I wish to personally thank all the men and women of the various agencies that worked with us, including the people living in the affected communities that we do our best to keep safe every day. You can count on us.”

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- [Sierra Fire Map](#)
- News Radio for future incidents:
 - AM 980 - KFWB
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