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WILDFIRE NEWS OF THE DAY

United States

California

(1) CAL FIRE sent along an update on four major wildfires currently burning in the Golden State.

California Statewide Fire Summary <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Xc5bJvq1sLrasaRH000CKbfwa2-w78dR/view?usp=sharing>

(2) Approximately 75,000 homes were evacuated as the 8,000-acre Woolsey Fire, which started in Simi Valley near the Rocketdyne facility in the Santa Susana Pass, jumped the 101 Freeway, propelled by Santa Ana winds.

Ventura County brush fires: 75,000 homes under evacuation as Woolsey Fire rapidly grows
<https://abc7.com/woolsey-fire-chars-8000-acres-75k-homes-under-evacuation/4652981/>



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(3) Kim Kardashian West and her sister Kourtney were among the celebrities forced to evacuate their homes in the Calabasas area as the Woolsey Fire jumped the 101 Freeway yesterday.

Kim Kardashian West, sister Kourtney race to evacuate as California wildfires rage

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/life/people/2018/11/09/kim-kardashian-kourtney-evacuate-amid-california-wildfires-alyssa-milano-rainn-wilson/1940510002/>

(4) Wildfire NOTD subscriber Chad Cook, an Assistant Chief at Ventura County Fire Department (<http://www.vcfd.org/>), discussed the speed of the fast-moving Hill Fire, which threatened 1,200 homes after scorching 6,000 acres in the Santa Rosa Valley, as fire officials warned that Santa Ana winds could push the blaze all the way to the Pacific.

Santa Ana Winds Could Push Hill Fire All the Way to the Pacific Ocean, Ventura County Fire Official Says <https://ktla.com/2018/11/08/wildfire-burns-through-100-acres-in-ventura-county-as-residents-are-told-to-evacuate/>

(5) Santa Barbara County fire crews, with an assist from a U.S. Forest Service crew, extinguished a 3-acre wildfire that sparked Thursday near the 5200 block of Dominion Road, southeast of Santa Maria.

Crews contain vegetation fire on Dominion Road southeast of Santa Maria

https://santamariatimes.com/news/local/crews-contain-vegetation-fire-on-dominion-road-southeast-of-santa/article_a2137d42-28bb-5ce8-9e17-33634fec7e90.html

(6) As Santa Barbara County Fire Department firefighters stopped forward progress of a 3-acre brush fire burning east of Orcutt southeast of Santa Maria, a photo spread and videos show air-tankers and helicopters in action over the blaze.

Photos: Vegetation fire burns near Dominion Road east of Santa Maria

https://santamariatimes.com/news/local/photos-vegetation-fire-burns-near-dominion-road-east-of-santa/collection_beaef0fb6-835d-5260-971e-299ff836fb3c.html#1

(7) The Camp Fire and several other wildfires in Tulare County have prompted the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District to issue a warnings due to the ill effects of wildfire smoke.

Smoke from several wildfires prompts health caution <https://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/smoke-from-several-wildfires-prompts-health-caution>

(8) Suisun Fire Protection District officials reported that firefighters were at the scene of a 2,500-acre wildfire that was apparently sparked by a big-rig blaze on Thursday afternoon, bringing the fire to 60% containment.

Firefighters work to contain Nurse Fire east of Suisun City

<https://www.mercurynews.com/2018/11/08/firefighters-work-to-contain-nurse-fire-east-of-suisun-city/>

(9) Officials for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District issued an area-wide alert for the San Francisco Bay area warning people who are sensitive to particle pollution to reduce outdoor activity due to

smoke from wildfires plaguing Northern California.

California Wildfire: Smoke advisory issued for entire Bay Area <https://www.sfchronicle.com/california-wildfires/article/California-Wildfire-Smoke-advisory-issued-for-13375294.php>

(10) A video segment took in the chaos during evacuations of tens of thousands of people as the Camp Fire continued to threaten 15,000 homes in Butte County.

Tens of thousands flee as wildfire in Butte County grows <https://www.kcra.com/article/tens-of-thousands-flee-as-wildfire-in-butte-county-grows/24870634>

(11) A Sacramento Metro fire flight officer discussed the impact shorter days have on fighting the massive Camp Fire in Butte County, forcing their non-night-flying helicopter to return to base earlier than during summer wildfires.

End Of Daylight Saving Time, Shorter Days Limit California Aerial Firefighting

<https://sacramento.cbslocal.com/video/3975016-end-of-daylight-saving-time-shorter-days-limit-california-aerial-firefighting/>

(12) VCA Animal Hospitals announced that select VCA hospitals in Northern California are offering free boarding assistance to dogs and cats, as well as other species at some hospitals, to families affected by the Camp Fire in Butte County.

VCA Animal Hospitals Offers Free Boarding for Pets Displaced by Forest Fires in Northern California

<https://apnews.com/b282c7e4614b42d482419527d6f52dfb>



Oregon

(13) Now that Oregon's wildfire season has ended, a working group of state and federal agencies has released a new playbook addressing the risk of floods and debris flows following in the wildfires' wake.

Post-wildfire guide helps prep for flood, debris flow dangers <https://www.ktvz.com/news/post-wildfire-guide-helps-prep-for-flood-debris-flow-dangers/852526889>

Arizona

(14) The interim assistant chief for Sedona Fire District, who is a firefighter on an interagency team that brings him to the most complex disasters around the country, shared some photos of wildfires.

Sedona Fire District's Jayson Coil captures disasters in photographs

<http://www.redrocknews.com/news/20-news-stories/91222-sedona-fire-district-s-jayson-coil-captures-disasters-in-photographs>

Utah

(15) The forester and planning team leader for the Manti-La Sal National Forest discussed how a new forest plan would better protect the watershed in terms of quality and quantity, while addressing the potential for devastating wildfires.

Fire, water top concerns at forest meeting http://www.moabtimes.com/view/full_story/27611985/article-Fire--water-top-concerns-at-forest-meeting?instance=special_coverage_bullets_rightcolumn

New Hampshire

(16) The Lakes Region Chapter of the New Hampshire Audubon Society will present a program on the White Mountain Forest Fires, which burned over 85,000 acres in 1903, on Nov. 15 at Moultonborough's Loon Center.

Lakes Region Audubon Society to offer forest fires presentation

https://www.laconiadailysun.com/community/announcements/lakes-region-audubon-society-to-offer-forest-fires-presentation/article_8718123c-e36c-11e8-95e1-4bce20d025ed.html

Latin America

Colombia

(17) Ecopetrol reported that an attack on one of their pipelines near Cubará Township spilled oil that started a wildfire which could not be reached until security forces gave the 'all clear' for firefighters to enter the area.

Severe forest fires and contaminated water from leftist attack in Boyacá

<https://www.pulzo.com/nacion/ataque-77-oleoducto-cano-limon-covenas-PP588281>

Ecuador

(18) A villager who helped Oña Canton firefighters douse a 15-hectare wildfire near Tamboloma, in Susudel parish, suffered second and third degree burns on his face and arms and was taken to the health center in Nabón.

Citizen suffers burns in a forest fire <https://www.eltiempo.com.ec/noticias/sucesos/9/ciudadano-quemaduras-incendio-forestal>

Chile

(19) CONAF reported that 4 ha of scrub and grassland are burned by a wildfire that was reported near Tranque Las Vacas despite the best efforts of two forest brigades and three aircraft.

Forest fire reported as Quilpué mobilizes Conaf and area firefighters

<http://www.puranoticia.cl/noticias/regiones/incendio-forestal-que-se-registra-en-quilpue-moviliza-a-conaf-y-bomberos/2018-11-08/190059.html>

(20) Emergency crews battled an 88.2-hectare wildfire in Bicentennial Park of Cerrillos for several hours before they managed to extinguish the blaze.

[VIDEO] Firefighters extinguish fire in Bicentennial Park of Cerrillos

<http://www.t13.cl/noticia/nacional/incendio-pastizales-afecta-parque-bicentenario-cerrillos>



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Queensland

(21) Queensland Fire and Emergency Services issued an advisory for a bushfire burning southwest of Gladstone, where firefighters conducted backburns in an effort to contain the blaze.

Bushfire burning south-west of Gladstone <https://www.gladstoneobserver.com.au/news/bushfire-burning-south-west-gladstone/3572080/>

(22) Multiple Queensland Fire and Emergency firefighters battled a bushfire that is burning near the Bruce Hwy in Maryborough West, where, although no houses or property are currently under threat, residents may be affected by a smoke haze throughout the afternoon.

Bushfire in Maryborough West <https://www.frasercoastchronicle.com.au/news/bushfire-burns-maryborough-west/3571806/>

(23) A car that crashed through a guard rail at Bohle Plains, in Townsville, burst into flames, sparking a bushfire and snarling traffic on a major road in north Queensland.

Driver crashes into rail, setting car alight and starting bushfire

<https://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/national/queensland/driver-crashes-into-rail-setting-car-alight-and-starting-bushfire-20181109-p50f66.html>

South Australia

(24) The SA Police Assistant Commissioner reported that officers would be monitoring 88 people who had been “identified as posing a high or significant risk” of starting a bushfire, as authorities step up efforts to crack down on arsonists and those who recklessly or negligently spark blazes.

SA bushfire season: 90 arson suspects on police watchlist

<https://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/sa-bushfire-season-90-arson-suspects-on-police-watchlist/news-story/6db7666a47afc05b05ef4f1b1a1efd23>



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