



WILDFIRE NEWS OF THE DAY

United States

(1) NASA's Ecosystem Spaceborne Thermal Radiometer Experiment on Space Station (ECOSTRESS) combined wildfire event data to develop wildfire susceptibility models which allowed researchers using these models to predict 90% of wildfires a week in advance of the fires occurring.

New Data in Action: ECOSTRESS Data Offer Significant Potential for Wildfire Prediction and Analysis

<https://www.earthdata.nasa.gov/news/new-data-action-ecostress-data-offer-significant-potential-wildfire-prediction-analysis>



California

(2) Following an after-action report which pointed out the shortcomings of various agencies during the Los Angeles County wildfires in January, CAL FIRE San Diego Unit officials discussed what measures San Diego County residents can take to stay safe during the fall wildfire season.

Cal Fire San Diego provides safety tips after LA wildfire response report <https://fox5sandiego.com/news/cal-fire-san-diego-provides-safety-tips-after-la-wildfire-response-report/>

(3) Southern California Edison, in partnership with San Bernardino County Emergency Services and the Riverside County Emergency Management Department, is hosting a virtual live discussion for Inland Empire communities on Thursday, October 2nd to discuss Public Safety Power Shutoffs.

Southern California Edison Wildfire Safety Meeting <https://main.sbcounty.gov/2025/09/25/southern-california-edison-wildfire-safety-meeting/>



(4) Work is underway in the City of Poway to remove hazardous trees along major evacuation routes, including Twin Peaks road, Camino del Norte, Espola road, and Green Valley open space, to reduce wildfire dangers and ensure clear access in case of emergencies.

Poway enhances wildfire safety with removal of hazardous trees along key evacuation routes

<https://www.cbs8.com/article/news/local/poway-enhances-wildfire-safety-with-removal-of-hazardous-trees/509-8453d646-042c-4921-8cf1-b85af189f628>

(5) Ventura County Fire Department officials reported that about 100 firefighters responded to the 25-acre Lost Fire, which is burning near Young Wolf Drive at Swift Fox Court, in the Big Sky area, a remote area north of central Simi Valley, on Thursday.

Fire breaks out in remote area north of Simi Valley <https://www.yahoo.com/news/articles/fire-breaks-remote-area-north-014421543.html>



(6) A GoFundMe campaign was made by the Kern County Firefighters, IAFF Local 1301, for Battalion Chief James Agee as he continues to recover after he was severely injured in a rollover crash while working on the Canyon Fire on August 8th.

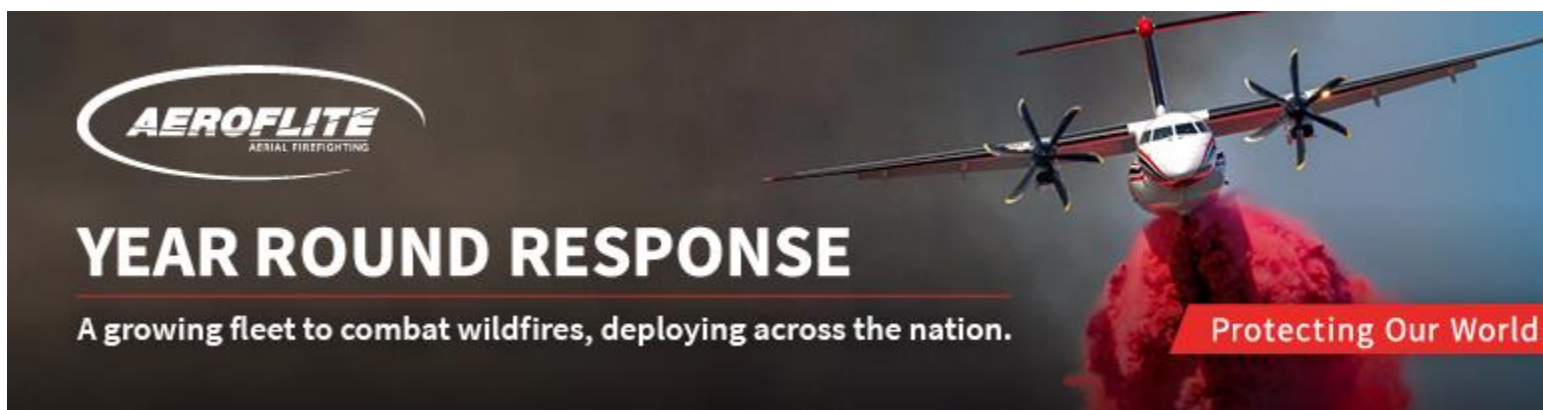
GoFundMe created for Kern County firefighter chief's recovery after Canyon Fire crash

<https://bakersfieldnow.com/news/local/gofundme-created-for-kern-county-firefighter-chiefs-recovery-after-canyon-fire-crash-wildfire-rollover-crash-los-angeles-county-ventura-county-california>

(7) A CAL FIRE captain discussed his work as a member of a fuels reduction engine company, where it became apparent that there might be something that could help with fuels reduction in California: goats.

Central Coast firefighter finds a second way to fight fires: He enlists the aid of sheep and goats

<https://www.kclu.org/local-news/2025-09-25/central-coast-firefighter-finds-a-second-way-to-fight-fires-he-enlists-the-aid-of-sheep-and-goats>



(8) State Senate Bill 429 aims to expand the Golden State’s approach to wildfire risk assessment and insurance regulation by creating a Wildfire Safety and Risk Mitigation Program under the California Department of Insurance, funding research to develop and implement a public wildfire catastrophe model.

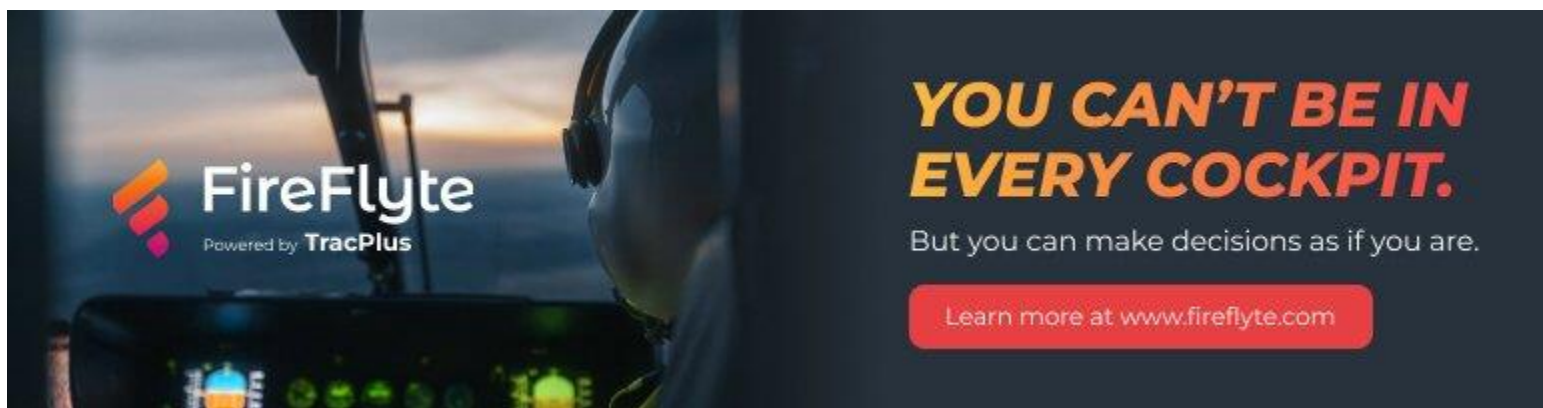
California lawmakers considering nation's first-ever public wildfire catastrophe model

<https://www.insurancebusinessmag.com/us/news/regulatory/california-lawmakers-considering-nations-first-ever-public-wildfire-catastrophe-model-551105.aspx>

(9) Hammerhorn Campground, which was destroyed when the 2020 August Complex fires raged through Mendocino National Forest, burning more than 1 million acres, killing one person and destroying 935 structures, will reopen today.

Mendocino National Forest campground destroyed in largest fire in state history reopens

<https://mendovoice.com/2025/09/mendocino-national-forest-campground-destroyed-in-largest-fire-in-state-history-reopens/>



(10) On Thursday afternoon, CAL FIRE Humboldt-Del Norte Unit personnel were requested to assist the Six Rivers National Forest Service on the 1/10-acre Martin Fire burning north of the Hoopa Reservation.

CAL FIRE Provides Aid to Martin Fire North of Hoopa <https://kymkemp.com/2025/09/25/cal-fire-provides-aid-to-martin-fire-north-of-hoopa/>

(11) Watch Duty and PulsePoint announced a new collaboration that connects PulsePoint vegetation fire incidents with corresponding Watch Duty incidents - combining the strengths of both platforms to provide a more complete picture for those affected by a wildfire.

Watch Duty and PulsePoint Partner to Provide Critical Wildfire Updates <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/watch-duty-and-pulsepoint-partner-to-provide-critical-wildfire-updates-302568010.html>



fire aside

Wildfire prevention requires community action

Technology for communities adapting to wildfire



(12) The Indian Valley Community Defense project, which was developed by Sierra Institute in collaboration with private landowners, will utilize forest thinning and fuels reduction focusing on sub-merchantable material to reduce wildfire risk and improve forest health on private lands.

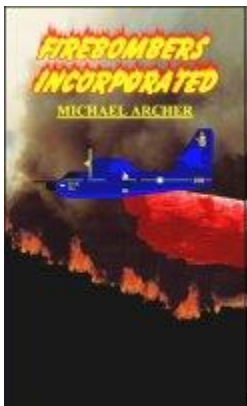
Indian Valley Community Defense Project Seeks Bids for Forest Thinning and Wildfire Risk Reduction

<https://www.sierradailynews.com/local/indian-valley-community-defense-project-seeks-bids-for-forest-thinning-and-wildfire-risk-reduction/>

Oregon

(13) Crews on the 32,772-acre Emigrant Fire are actively working on suppression repair efforts following a cold front that moved in overnight, bringing slightly cooler temperatures to the region, according to fire management officials.

Cooler weather helps control Emigrant Fire in Willamette Forest https://www.kezi.com/news/local/cooler-weather-helps-control-emigrant-fire-in-willamette-forest/article_98d722ce-6412-421c-874d-a8ee577bd8da.html



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"Firebombers Incorporated
maintains a substantial
level of suspense!"

Wildland Firefighter Magazine

Firefighters Save Lives.
These Firefighters
Save A Nation!

"Firestorm is action-packed
and will keep the reader
enthralled throughout!"

The Nashville News



(14) The 4,753 Moon Complex Fire jumped the Rogue River on Thursday, prompting officials to close all traffic into that portion of the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, about 10 miles northeast of Agness, to provide access by firefighting personnel.

Moon Complex jumps Rogue river, wild and scenic route closed to all traffic for fire fighting efforts

https://www.kdrv.com/news/moon-complex-jumps-rogue-river-wild-and-scenic-route-closed-to-all-traffic-for-fire/article_f425f5cc-b1f1-4e32-9647-6355ceef6d45.html

(15) Siuslaw National Forest officials are planning prescribed fire operations at Mt. Hebo, pending all required approvals, which may continue throughout the fall in various locations across the Forest, as weather conditions allow.

Siuslaw National Forest to begin prescribed fire https://www.newportnewstimes.com/news/siuslaw-national-forest-to-begin-prescribed-fire/article_d4d70462-686c-4816-8b9b-484ebf714896.html

Washington

(16) The 31,048-acre Lower Sugarloaf Fire became the focus of a statewide mobilization of first responders as strong winds pushed it south Thursday evening toward the Wenatchee Valley confluence, and the perimeter of the city itself, even as the 17,181-acre Labor Mountain Fire continued to burn to the south.

State mobilization, rapidly changing evacuation zones for twin NCW wildfires

https://www.ncwlife.com/news/state-mobilization-rapidly-changing-evacuation-zones-for-twin-ncw-wildfires/article_b57298d1-bfd7-4ddf-b1fb-076a33d6bf0f.html

(17) As the Labor Mountain Fire continues to burn, the Chelan County Sheriff's Office announced Level 2 fire evacuation notices for the Upper Sunnyslope area, including West Mountain Brook, Avalon Lane, East Mountain Brook, Pheasant Canyon Court, Burch Hollow Lane and Lone Ram Lane.

Evacuations notices upgraded for Labor Mountain Fire in Chelan County

https://www.khq.com/fires/evacuations-notices-upgraded-for-labor-mountain-fire-in-chelan-county/article_386b2554-e392-4e9d-bda6-8d08161f5d05.html

Idaho

(18) A Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests fire prevention officer reported that, after a slew of firings and deferred resignations last winter, U.S. Forest Service employees who are normally in the office - like wildlife biologists or hydrologists - jumped in to help with fire information this summer.

Staff shortages pull Idaho Forest Service office workers into fire roles

<https://www.opb.org/article/2025/09/25/idaho-forest-service-firefighting/>

Arizona

(19) Portions of the Grand Canyon's North Rim will reopen on October 1st after the Bravo Dragon Fire destroyed the historic Grand Canyon Lodge and dozens of structures, the National Park Service announced Thursday.

Portions of the Grand Canyon's North Rim are opening soon after a devastating wildfire

<https://apnews.com/article/grand-canyon-reopens-north-rim-wildfire-arizona-89721f50cdf4ea57bcfaada4ab44f60c>

(20) Crews in Coconino County are working to reduce the number of trees to reduce the wildfire risk in Northern Arizona, reducing tree density per acre from up to 2,000 trees per acre to only 80 trees per acre maximum.

Workers creating a more fire-resistant forest near Flagstaff

<https://www.azfamily.com/video/2025/09/26/workers-creating-more-fire-resistant-forest-near-flagstaff/>

(21) In the third in a series of public information sessions about the Wildfire-Insurance Crisis plaguing the West, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors welcomes Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety General Counsel to discuss how wildfires burn through neighborhoods and what can be done to decrease the risk and make homes insurable.

County explores neighborhood survivability and insurability in Wildfire-Insurance Crisis Series

<https://www.coconino.az.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3289>

Utah

(22) Firefighters are on the scene of the Mitton Fire, which has been burning in Sardine Canyon along highway US-89/91 since it was spotted around 3 PM on Thursday afternoon near the summit of the canyon.

Wildfire sparks near the summit of Sardine Canyon <https://kvnutalk.com/wildfire-sparks-near-the-summit-of-sardine-canyon/>

Wyoming

(23) The Jackson Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest is planning prescribed fire operations for late September and early October, which may continue through the fall, as weather conditions allow.

Bridger-Teton National Forest Begin Prescribed Fires on Jackson Ranger District

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/r04/bridger-teton/newsroom/releases/bridger-teton-national-forest-begin-prescribed-fires-jackson-0>

Montana

(24) A weak and mostly dry cool front is passing through the Treasure State, producing windy conditions that could push a thick wall of new wildfire smoke over the state, followed by a return of unseasonably warm temperatures which will elevate the wildfire danger.

Wildfire smoke returns Friday <https://www.kbzk.com/weather/wildfire-smoke-returns-friday>

North Carolina

(25) North Carolina Forest Service officials reported that firefighters brought a 132-acre wildfire burning along Indian Woods Road, near Broad Neck Road wildfire in Bertie County, to 90% containment on Thursday afternoon.

Bertie County wildfire spread to 132 acres, 90% contained <https://wcti12.com/newsletter-daily/bertie-county-wildfire-spread-to-132-acres-90-contained>

Hawaii

(26) Maui Fire Department officials announced Thursday that investigators found two separate origin points for the 400-acre Holomua wildfire, which led to the evacuation of over 1,600 Paia residents, indicating that the blaze was intentionally set.

MFD: Paia wildfire that led to evacuations was intentionally set

<https://www.staradvertiser.com/2025/09/25/breaking-news/mfd-paia-wildfire-that-led-to-evacuations-was-intentionally-set/>

(27) The Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative is planning to spend up to \$52 million to reduce wildfire hazards between now and 2027, a wildfire mitigation plan which is under review by the Public Utilities Commission.

KIUC plans to spend up to \$52M to reduce wildfire hazards on Kaua'i

<https://www.hawaiipublicradio.org/local-news/2025-09-25/kiuc-up-to-52m-to-reduce-wildfire-hazards-kauai>

(28) The Kula Community Watershed Alliance has announced a \$103,000 grant coming from the Hawai'i Rotary District 5000 Foundation's Maui Fires Relief Fund to support the next phase of its Community Restoration Nursery and Tool Library, which are central to growing site-appropriate native plants and supporting community engagement in the burn scar's recovery.

Kula Community Watershed Alliance receives 'transformative' grant for wildfire restoration

<https://mauinow.com/2025/09/25/kula-community-watershed-alliance-receives-transformative-grant-for-wildfire-restoration/>



Canada

British Columbia

(29) Central Okanagan Emergency Operations has expanded an evacuation alert to additional addresses in the District of Peachland and the Regional District of Central Okanagan due to the 74-hectare Munro Lake Wildfire.

More evacuation notices issued as muster centre closes overnight for Peachland wildfire

<https://www.castanet.net/news/Peachland/574479/More-evacuation-notices-issued-as-muster-centre-closes-overnight-for-Peachland-wildfire>

(30) Forsite, a forestry consultancy that develops wildfire protection and risk reduction plans for cities and parks across the province, warned of the wildfire danger to popular biking spot Dragon Mountain Provincial Park, just south of Quesnel.

Trees Must Fall. A Provincial Park's Wildfire Prescription <https://thetyee.ca/News/2025/09/26/Provincial-Park-Fire-Fix-Prescription/>

(31) Transport Canada awarded avionics manufacturer Anodyne Electronics Manufacturing Corp. a second supplemental type certificate (STC) for its modern MTP136D P25 forest service radio, which will streamline radio installations for operators providing aerial firefighting services using several popular Bell helicopter models.

AEM secures another STC for its MTP136D aerial firefighting radio <https://verticalmag.com/press-releases/aem-secures-another-stc-for-its-mtp136d-aerial-firefighting-radio/>

Europe

United Kingdom

(32) The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service has issued an extreme wildfire warning for the first time in September since 2020, covering all of Scotland throughout Friday following a very high warning which has been in place since Wednesday.

First September warning of extreme wildfires for five years <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cx2re2172y4o>

Greece

(33) After another destructive fire season, in which 6,063 wildfires blackened over 470,000 hectares, experts and activists warned that, unless Greece starts investigating what's starting these blazes, it will never be able to prevent them.

Finding the Spark: Greeks Demand Probe Into Causes of Wildfires

<https://balkaninsight.com/2025/09/26/finding-the-spark-greeks-demand-probe-into-causes-of-wildfires/?cmplz-force-reload=1758901324127>

Australia

Queensland

(34) Residents of Springbrook in Queensland's Gold Coast Hinterland have been told to prepare to leave as a slow-moving bushfire moves towards homes in between Little Nerang Dam and Mount Nimmel Road.

Out-of-control bushfire threatening homes in Gold Coast Hinterland

<https://www.9news.com.au/national/springbrook-fire-out-of-control-bushfire-threatening-homes-in-gold-coast-hinterland/805bb655-6c95-41da-a48b-a1f963d7467f>

(35) One lane of the Bruce Highway has reopened near Bajool, south of Rockhampton, after two bushfires broke out on either side of the road around 3 PM yesterday, shutting both lanes and causing delays.

Bushfires cause delays on Bruce Highway <https://www.4cc.com.au/local-news/bushfires-cause-delays-on-bruce-highway/>

(36) Helitak Firefighting Equipment announced that it has received a Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) from Transport Canada Civil Aviation for the installation of the Helitak FT4250 Fire Tank, marking a significant expansion of Helitak's operational footprint into the Canadian aerial firefighting market.

Helitak Firefighting Equipment Receives TCCASTC SH25-18 Approval for FT4250 Fire Tank Installation

<https://aerialfiremag.com/2025/09/25/helitak-firefighting-equipment-receives-tccastc-sh25-18-approval-for-ft4250-fire-tank-installation/>

New South Wales

(37) The Rural Fire Service's 737 Large Air Tanker, which will be based in Coffs Harbour for the next week, is providing local ground crews with the opportunity to brush up on their retardant reloading skills in case of a bushfire emergency.

RFS crews sharpen skills to refuel 737 Large Air Tanker <https://www.nbnnews.com.au/2025/09/26/rfs-crews-sharpen-skills-to-refuel-737-large-air-tanker/>

Victoria

(38) The Yarra Ranges Mayor announced that Country Fire Authority officials have warned of a dry bushfire season ahead, with a potentially high fire risk due to lower rainfall over the winter months, particularly in the Upper Yarra.

Prepare properties now for bushfire season <https://upperyarra.mailcommunity.com.au/news/2025-09-26/prepare-properties-now-for-bushfire-season/>

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