Hirz Fire Update











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EVENING UPDATE

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Hirz Fire Summary:		Resources Assigned:	
Acres Burned:	30,825	Total Personnel:	2,174
Containment:	31 percent	Hand Crews:	62
Expected Containment:	September 5, 2018	Engines:	112
Cause:	Human	Bulldozers:	36
		Helicopters:	11

Current Situation:

Firefighters had a productive shift on the fireline today. The east and southern portions of the fire continued to hold, and crews patrolled and mopped up hotspots along the fire's edge. As the inversion layer lifted earlier today, fire activity increased on the north and west flanks of the fire. The fire was most active on the northwest side near Tombstone. Aircraft dropped fire retardant west of Tombstone Ridge to the slow the fire's growth. Crews conducted firing operations to limit the fire's spread to the west, increasing the likelihood that the fire will stay within established control lines.

Tonight, crews will continue firing operations into the evening as weather conditions permit. They will hold, strengthen, and monitor firelines around the fire perimeter.

Community Meeting:

A community meeting will be held on Thursday, August 30 at 6:00 P.M. at the Dunsmuir Community Center located at 4835 Dunsmuir Avenue in Dunsmuir, California.

Recreation Closures/Evacuations:

The Shasta-Trinity National Forest has closed the Hirz Fire area to public access, including affected National Forest System roads, trails and recreation sites. Residents, landowners and lessees are allowed to enter the fire area to the extent necessary to access their land and residences. The McCloud River Arm remains closed to boat access just above Holiday Harbor and the Shasta Caverns Ferry. Recreation sites closed due to the Hirz Fire are: Hirz Bay, Moore Creek, Pine Point, Ellery Creek, Dekkas Rock and McCloud Bridge.

As a precautionary measure, the McCloud River Club has been evacuated. No other communities are threatened and there are no other evacuations for any other areas. For those who are wondering how many miles the Hirz Fire is from your community, here are the latest air miles from the most active portion of the fire (in the northeast): Castella 9 miles, Dunsmuir 12 miles, McCloud 16 miles, Mount Shasta 20 miles.

Recreational Facilities Open for Visitors:

Bailey Cove, Fisherman's Point, Centimudi, and Jones Valley are just some of the facilities open to the public on the shores of Lake Shasta. For specific recreation information, please call the Shasta Lake Ranger District at (530) 275-1587.

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