



#CZULightningComplex

## CZU LIGHTNING COMPLEX INCIDENT UPDATE

**Date:** 8/30/2020 **Time:** 7:00 a.m.

**Information Line:** (831) 335-6717

**Evacuation Map:** <http://www.smco.community.zonehaven.com>

**Email Updates (sign up):** <https://tinyurl.com/CZULighting>

**Santa Cruz County Hotel Hotline:** (831) 454-2181

**Incident Website:** <https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/>

**Information Line Santa Cruz/ San Mateo County:** 211

**Media Line:** (831) 337-8445

**Resource Assistance Center:** 140 Front Street, Santa Cruz

### INCIDENT FACTS

<b>Incident Start Date:</b> August 16, 2020		<b>Incident Start Time:</b> 6:41 am
<b>Incident Type:</b> Wildfire		<b>Cause:</b> Lightning
<b>Incident Location:</b> Various locations across San Mateo and Santa Cruz Counties		
<b>CAL FIRE Unit:</b> San Mateo-Santa Cruz (CZU)		
<b>Unified Command Agencies:</b> CAL FIRE- Santa Cruz Co. Sheriff's Office, San Mateo Co. Sheriff's Office, Felton Fire Protection District, Santa Cruz County Fire Department, San Mateo County Fire Department, Boulder Creek Fire Department, Ben Lomond Fire Protection District		
<b>Size:</b> 84,640 acres	<b>Containment:</b> 35%	<b>Expected Full Containment:</b> TBD
<b>First Responder Fatalities:</b> 0		<b>First Responder Injuries:</b> 0
<b>Civilian Fatalities:</b> 1		<b>Civilian Injuries:</b> 1
<b>Structures Threatened:</b> 9,374	<b>Residences Destroyed:</b> 755	<b>Residences Damaged:</b> 84
	<b>Multiple Residences Destroyed:</b> 1	<b>Non-residential Commercial Damaged:</b> 12
	<b>Non-residential Commercial Destroyed:</b> 123	<b>Other Minor Structures Damaged:</b> 29
	<b>Other Minor Structures Destroyed:</b> 297	
	<b>Mixed Commercial/Residential Destroyed:</b> 1	

### CURRENT SITUATION

<b>Situation Summary:</b>	<p>Firefighters worked aggressively overnight to build containment lines around the CZU Lightning Complex. Very warm and dry conditions will persist inland through the end of the week, with local temperatures well above normal. Many known and unknown hazards exist following an intense fire. This includes fire weakened or dead trees that can fall without warning, burned out stumps creating holes under trails and damage to parking areas and roads. Damage inspection continues where fire activity has diminished and it is safe to do so. The number of destroyed structures reflected may change as teams continue to make progress, damage inspection is now 90% complete. A Resource Assistance Center is now open for residents affected by the fire. As residents begin to return home, remember to be mindful of crews and emergency personnel still working in the area.</p>
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**Santa Cruz County CZU Lightning Complex damage information:**  
<https://sccgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5461c7f372e24ab68ca386e73d58e35a>

**EVACUATION WARNINGS FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY:**

No Evacuation Warnings currently in place

**EVACUATION ORDERS FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY:**

- Communities of Loma Mar and Dearborn Park Area (Zone SMC E018) (8/18/2020 5:00 pm)
- Pescadero Creek County Park Area (Zone SMC E024) (8/18/2020 4:30 pm)
- Butano Community Area (Zone SMC E098) (8/18/2020 5:00 pm)
- Butano State Park including Barranca Knolls Community (Zone SMC E019) (8/18/2020 4:30 pm)
- Butano Creek Drainage (Zone SMC E055) (8/18/2020 4:30 pm)
- South Skyline Blvd. Area near Highway 9 (SMC E049) (8/18/2020 11:00 pm)
- Russian Ridge Open Space Reserve Area (Zone SMC E027) (8/18/2020 11:00 pm)
- (Zone SMC E048) (8/18/2020 11:00 pm)
- Red Barn Area (Zone SMC E010) (8/20/2020 6:00 pm)

**EVACUATION WARNINGS FOR SANTA CRUZ COUNTY:**

No Evacuation Warnings currently in place

**EVACUATION ORDERS FOR SANTA CRUZ COUNTY:**

- Waterman Gap Loop, Upper HWY 236, Boulder Creek Golf Course, Heartwood Hill, Lodge Road, Community of Little Basin, Lower China Grade, Upper China Grade, Community of Kings Hwy, Lower Jamison Creek, Gallion Heights, Fallen Leaf Neighborhood, Foxglove Lane (Zones CRZ10, CRZ13, BOU36, BOU20, BOU30, BOU31, BOU36, BOU37, BOU21) (8/18/2020 10 pm)
- Saratoga Toll Road, San Lorenzo Park, Riverside Grove-Community of Teilh Drive, Wildwood Road (BOU38, BOU39, BOU40, BOU41, BOU42, BOU43) (8/18/2020 10 pm)
- Everyone on Empire Grade Road, from Felton Empire north, all of Pine Flat Road, all of Ice Cream Grade, Bonny Doon Road, in between Pine Flat Road, Martin Road, and all associated side streets are under an evacuation order. Areas west of State Route 35 from San Mateo County Line to State Route 17. (CRZ1, CRZ2, CRZ3, CRZ4, CRZ5, CRZ10, CRZ11, CRZ12, CRZ13, CRZ14B) (8/19/2020 1:00 am)
- Bonny Doon south of Ice Cream Grade, to include Pine Flat Road South. (CRZ7, CRZ8) (8/19/2020 1:00 am)
- Areas of Alba Road, Hubbard Gulch and Fanning Grade. (BEN 1) (8/19/2020 6:00 pm)
- All areas of Ben Lomond (Zones BEN 2 – BEN 5) (8/19/2020 7:00 pm)
- All areas adjacent to the Bonny Doon and San Lorenzo Valley should be prepared to evacuate if necessary. (CRZ7, CRZ8) (8/20/2020 1:00 am)
- Areas West of Highway 9 to Empire Grade
- South from Bear Creek Road to Felton, this includes Ben Lomond
- Areas of Zayante Canyon (Zones: ZAY- 6B)
- All areas of Felton (Zones: FEL 1 – FEL 6) (8/20/2020 8:00 am)
- Butano State Park area including Barranca Knolls Community (Zone: SMC E019) (8/18/2020 4:30 pm)

**Evacuations:**

Approximately 40,000 residents have been evacuated

<b>Evacuation Center(s):</b>	<p><b><u>San Mateo County</u></b> Half Moon Bay High School, 1 Lewis Foster Drive, Half Moon Bay</p> <p><b><u>Santa Cruz County</u></b> Santa Cruz County Fairground, 2601 E. Lake Avenue in Watsonville Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium, 307 Church Street, Santa Cruz Seventh Day Adventist Camp Grounds, 1931 Soquel San Jose Rd Cabrillo College, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos CA Simpkins Family Swim Center, 919 17<sup>th</sup> Ave Twin Lakes Church, 2701 Cabrillo College Drive</p>
<b>Road Closures:</b>	<p><b><u>San Mateo County</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Route 1 at Gazos Creek</li> <li>• Cloverdale Road at Butano cut off</li> <li>• Pescadero Creek Road at Butano cut off</li> <li>• Pescadero Creek Road at Burns Valley Road</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Santa Cruz County</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Route 1 at Lower Swanton Road to Ano Nuevo</li> <li>• Back Ranch Road at Majors Road</li> <li>• Warnella Road at Cement Plant Road</li> <li>• State Route 9 at State Route 35 to San Lorenzo Valley High School</li> <li>• Empire Grade at Twin Gates</li> <li>• Empire Grade at the quarry entrance</li> <li>• Felton Empire Grade at The Felton Cemetary</li> <li>• Bear Creek Road at Amber Ridge Loop to Boulder Creek</li> <li>• Quail Hollow Road at Marion Way</li> <li>• Hihn road at Stanford Drive</li> </ul>
<b>Animal Evac. Center(s):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 E. Lake Avenue in Watsonville</li> <li>• Large farm animals are being accepted, for information and assistance contact (650) 450-0520.</li> <li>• Watsonville Animal Shelter, 580 Airport Blvd</li> </ul>
<b>ASSIGNED RESOURCES</b>	
<b>Engines:</b> 209	<b>Water Tenders:</b> 36
<b>Other:</b>	<b>Helicopters:</b> 12
<b>Air Tankers:</b>	<b>Hand Crews:</b> 40
<b>Cooperating Agencies:</b> County of Santa Cruz, County of San Mateo, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, American Red Cross, California Highway Patrol, California Conservation Corps, PG&E, California State Parks, CAL OES, Bureau of Land Management	
<b>Dozers:</b> 17	
<b>Total Personnel:</b> 2,142	

**For additional information when returning home, refer to [www.fire.ca.gov](http://www.fire.ca.gov). Click on the link, “Post wildfire” for safety precautions**

**To learn more about wildfire preparedness visit:**  
[www.readyforwildfire.org](http://www.readyforwildfire.org)