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BOREL FIRE

Our community is facing a serious challenge with the Borel Fire, which has already spread to over 30,000 acres. This situation underscores the importance of our collective vigilance and cooperation. This is a large fire and the current weather conditions—intense heat and strong winds—are making containment efforts much more difficult.

We urge all residents to heed evacuation warnings and orders. Your cooperation is vital as it allows our dedicated firefighters and emergency personnel to focus on combating the fire rather than conducting rescues. There are evacuation centers available to those affected:

Ridgecrest Area: Burroughs High School, 500 E French Ave, Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Tehachapi: Tehachapi Education Center, 126 S. Snyder Ave, Tehachapi, CA 93561

*Please note that the evacuation shelter at the Lake Isabella Senior Center has been closed as it is in an area under evacuation warning.

Our community is fortunate to have a team of dedicated professionals from various agencies working tirelessly to control this fire. The U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Kern County Fire Department, and CAL FIRE, among others, are all on the front lines, with over 1,200 personnel assigned to this fire.

We encourage everyone to stay informed and prepared. Sign up for ReadyKern alerts to receive the latest updates and warnings. Your safety is our top priority, and staying informed is crucial during this time. We will face this challenge together, and by following the advice of our emergency services, we will overcome it.

For more detailed and specific information, please refer to updates from ReadyKern, the Kern County Fire Department, and other relevant agencies. Rest assured, we are working closely with all involved to provide the necessary support and resources.

Stay safe, heed the warnings, and let's continue to support one another through this difficult time.

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