



# EMD BULLETIN

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### STATION FIRE UPDATE, AIR QUALITY, WEATHER FORECAST BULLETIN #12 FINAL DISTRIBUTION

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TTY/TDD: 3-1-1 or (213) 473-3221 or toll-free (866) 452-2489  
American Red Cross (888) 737-4306

#### STATION FIRE – BOIL WATER ADVISORY

The fire has burned 160,357 acres and stands at 56 percent containment. At least 76 homes have been destroyed, mainly in the Tujunga Canyon and Acton areas. The fire is active on its east side near the San Gabriel Wilson and also, to a lesser extent, near Mt. Wilson. Two firefighters have been killed and 12 people have been injured.

A **Boil Water Advisory** has been issued for all those who reside in the areas of the Angeles National Forest that were closed due to the blaze. This precautionary measure has been put in place due to the possibility of contamination which could have occurred during the power outages associated with the wildfire.

For more details on the fire please visit <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/angeles/>.

Evacuation centers remain open at:

- Golden Valley High School, 27051 Robert C. Lee Parkway, Santa Clarita
- Verdugo High School, 10625 Plainview Ave, Tujunga

#### About the Emergency Management Department (EMD)

The Emergency Management Department was established by ordinance in 2000 by the City Council and Mayor. EMD is dedicated to leading the City in comprehensive emergency management including: planning, mitigation, preparation, response to and recovery from natural, manmade and accidental incidents of high consequence.

## **AIR QUALITY ADVISORY - SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

The Station Fire will continue to generate localized areas of smoke and unhealthy air quality in portions of the San Gabriel Valley and the San Gabriel Mountains particularly during the morning hours. Air-flow drainage overnight from the mountains has brought smoke to the foothill communities, especially in localized areas near La Canada, Altadena, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, Azusa and Glendora. Ocean breezes will move the smoke northward by this afternoon, mostly into the mountains and out of the Basin. Air quality may reach Unhealthy levels, or higher, due to high concentrations of fine particulates in localized areas directly impacted by smoke at times, especially in the San Gabriel Mountains, West San Gabriel Valley and East San Gabriel Valley. Additional information is available at <http://www.lapublichealth.org/> or <http://www.aqmd.gov/>

## **SAFE CLEAN-UP AFTER FIRE - LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Los Angeles County Health Officer, Dr. Jonathan E. Fielding, advises people to take precautions during clean-up following a fire. Ash, soot, dust, and other airborne particles may have been deposited inside and outside of homes and businesses. While ash from wildfires is relatively non-toxic and similar to ash that may be found in a home fireplace, it may be irritating to the skin, nose and throat. Exposure to ash in air might trigger asthmatic attacks in people who already have asthma. Additional information is available at <http://www.lapublichealth.org/> or by calling (213) 240-8144.









## **WILDLIFE DISPLACED BY THE FIRES - LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

Residents in areas near the Southern California wildfires should avoid wild animals that may have been displaced by fires, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health cautioned today. The ongoing fires have destroyed habitats and driven wild animals into more populated areas, which can lead to dangerous encounters with humans or their pets.

For urgent, dangerous situations involving large predators, call 911.

Additional information is available at <http://www.lapublichealth.org/> or by calling (213) 240-8144.

## **WEATHER**

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY – September 8, 2009					
9 am	12 pm	3 pm	6 pm	9 pm	12 am
 <b>69°F</b>	 <b>82°F</b>	 <b>85°F</b>	 <b>78°F</b>	 <b>69°F</b>	 <b>66°F</b>
Feels Like 69°F	Feels Like 81°F	Feels Like 83°F	Feels Like 78°F	Feels Like 69°F	Feels Like 66°F
Today			Tonight		
 Partly Cloudy High <b>87°F</b> Precip 0%			 Mostly Clear Overnight Low <b>60°F</b> Precip 0%		
Wind: <b>From S at 9 mph</b> Max. Humidity: <b>42%</b>			Wind: <b>From S at 7 mph</b> Max. Humidity: <b>63%</b>		

Because of the decreasing temperatures and heat index the City will discontinue the measures outlined in the Extreme Heat and Cold Annex.