LOCKHEED FIRE   8/16/09
2 pm
Equine Evac has been deactivated, and we are closing our desk at the EOC. We have enough volunteers to help re-home animals at this point and you will be contacted by Animal Services if you are needed in this capacity when folks are allowed to go back home. Some may need to move to other more long term boarding if they have had damage to stables or fencing.
All together an amazing job, and the response from our team members was awsome. This "blog" will be removed from the web site next week, so if you want to save copies of maps or web sites, do it now!

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3 pm
Current map of fire area. Still no additional evacuations today.
http://cdfdata.fire.ca.gov/pub/cdf/images/incidentimage361_604.jpg

LOCKHEED FIRE   8/15/09
12:20 pm
It is very quiet here today in the EOC. The Fire is at 6800 acres and 30% contained. We are not getting any calls for evacuations so far today so we are hoping to be shut down by Monday. We may need a couple of volunteers to help "re-home" horses when folks are allowed to go back into the fire area, so if you can do that please email me with your contact info and I'll pass it along to Animal Services. I'll send out a similar message by email once I get this posted.
I have been so very gratified by the response from our team members. We have never not had enough available resources to assist with the evacuations and we have a great list of folks available for this weekend if conditions change.

LOCKHEED FIRE   8/14/09
4:20 pm
The Fire is at 4170 acres and there are about 1200 firefighters on the ground. There has been very little change in the fire since this morning and our Evac Unit is being put on hold ( not deactivated) for the moment. Animal Services is closing down the staging area as of 5:30 tonight and is not planning to re-open it this weekend, but that may change and if it does, we will start calling those of you who have indicated their availability. At this time we (Patsy, Lyn and Kim) will continue to staff the EOC 7am-7pm just in case we need to start calling up trailer teams if things change. Animals are still being cared for at the showgrounds and the Horsemen's Association if you feel the need to volunteer in a different capacity.
Again, our thanks to all of you who have responded during this event, even if we have not had to call you out ( my personal extra thanks to those of you who got out of bed Wednesday night at midnight and hooked up your riggs to help).
We will provide updates by email as appropriate.
I'll add a link to a pdf of the fire map here. This was as of this morning, but there has been very little change.
We currently have enough trailers for the next several hours if not through the evening hours. If you are an Evac member and are available tonight or tomorrow for more evacuations or to spell current Evac Members tomorrow or over the weekend, please contact your team leader with your availability. If you are unable to contact your team leader, please call the Evac desk at the EOC at 458-7108. We need to back each other up so those currently responding don't burn out. Many thanks to *all* of you who have responded. You are greatly appreciated. Additional updates today will only be posted if things substantially change.

**For updates on the fire go to:**
http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/localnews

**Road closures:**
http://sccroadclosure.org/

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2800 acres, no containment. The Showgrounds on Graham Hill road is full, All animals should be evacuated to the Fairgrounds in Watsonville.

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Fire has burned 2500 acres and is zero% contained at this point. From the Sentinel: California Highway Patrol officers at 11 a.m. Thursday were directing traffic away from Bonny Doon. Roads at least partially closed Thursday include Empire Grade, Swanton Road, Bonny Doon Road, Pine Flat Road, Ice Cream Grade and Smith Grade.

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Bonny Doon is now under mandatory evacuation.
We have trailers at the staging area and available on standby (thank you so much to those of you who have stepped up today and last night) We have not had many horse evacuations thus far, but that may change as the fire changes. Please keep track of your mileage if you are called out and report it to me as soon as the event is over. Check our links for road closure info and other emergency resources. Lyn

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Additional resources have been called in to fight the fire. We are continuing to respond. **Donations:** We can only accept feed donations of grass hay and bedding shavings. If you are interested in making a monetary donation you can make out a check to Santa Cruz County Equine Evacuation and drop it off and the Horsemen's Association on
Graham Hill Rd. or the Fairgrounds in Watsonville so that we can purchase any needed feed or supplies. Feed stores and others interested in making non-food or bedding donations should contact Animal Services to see what may be needed.

**New volunteers:**
We can always use help feeding and cleaning. Check with the site closest to you or call Animal Services for times when volunteers can be used. We can not have non-certified volunteers at the holding areas except under the direction of Equine Evac staff or Animal Services for security reasons.

We appreciate your wanting to help, but evacuations can only be made by Equine Evac members under the direction of Animal Services. You can of course evacuate your own animals.

To volunteer temporary boarding sites, please see the link on our web site. We will be boarding at the Horseman's and Fairgrounds. At this time there is no need for additional boarding sites, but it always good to have that information in reserve.

Thank you

LOCKHEED FIRE  8/13/09
6:30 am
Bonny Doon is under at least a voluntary evacuation order. We have notified team leaders and are once again staging trailers at the Cement Plant.

Patsy Wilkes is staffing the EOC this morning and will be relieved by Kim Austin this afternoon at 831-458-7108. If you are available and have not been contacted by your team leader, please call them. If you can not reach them, call Patsy at the EOC to let her know you are available so she can put you on the list of available trailers.

Both the Horsemen's Association on Graham Hill Rd. and the Fairgrounds in Watsonville are accepting horses, other animals must go to the Fairgrounds.

LOCKHEED FIRE  8/12/09
11:30 pm
We have been activated for the Lockheed Fire. We are currently handling it with trailer teams that have been contacted. If we need more teams, we will contact you through your team leaders. We are currently staging at the Cement Plant but there is limited space for trailers so that site may change if we need more trailers. I will keep you updated as I receive more info. I am currently at the EOC at 831-458-7108. Swanton Road has traffic controls at both ends due to emergency vehicle access.