

Wildfires in North Fork, Oakhurst area 90%-95% contained

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Two wildfires that burned hundreds of dry forest acres and prompted evacuations in Madera County are 90% to 95% contained, fire officials said.

The Corrine fire has burned 920 acres and is 95% contained, Cal Fire said. The blaze was first sparked Thursday night, then reignited Friday morning and spread rapidly through the North Fork area. Three outbuildings were destroyed.

All Corrine fire evacuation advisories have been lifted. Cal Fire warned that fire equipment moving to and from the area could cause traffic delays.

Nearly 550 firefighters are still at the scene — down from the almost 2,000 who battled the blaze at its peak. The cause is still under investigation.

The Sky fire has burned 500 acres in the Sierra National Forest north of Oakhurst and is 90% contained, the U.S. Forest Service said. It began Thursday afternoon when a truck pulled onto the east side of Road 632, igniting nearby brush.

Evacuation advisories for the Sky fire area were lifted, but five campgrounds remain closed: Camp Redwood, Soquel, Nelder Grove, Chilkoot and Greys Mountain. Sky Ranch Road will remain closed until the fire is fully contained.

No structures were destroyed, but one injury was reported. The Forest Service did not immediately respond to an inquiry about who was injured and how badly.

Both fire areas could produce smoke for the next few days, officials said.

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