



Media Advisory

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San Jose Fire Department assists with Southern California Fires

Three San Jose Fire Engines and a Battalion Chief have been deployed to Riverside and Los Angeles Counties in the last twenty-four hours to assist with multiple large-area fires. As part of the state mutual aid plan, Santa Clara County has assembled strike teams of firefighters and engines to respond to southern California's requests for assistance. Fifteen engine companies from San Jose, Sunnyvale, Palo Alto, Mt. View, Santa Clara County Fire, Gilroy, Santa Clara City Fire, Milpitas and Saratoga are on the scene or enroute to various incident locations. Crews are expected to be in southern California for seven days. Multiple structures and thousands of acres have been destroyed due in part to the severe fire weather conditions affecting that region.

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