

Bastrop County Fire Complex

FACT SHEET

Monday, September 12, 2011 - 7:00 PM

Acres: 34,068 Total
Cause: Under investigation
Containment: 70% (Bastrop Fire)
90% (Union Chapel Fire)
Resources: 21 crews, 131 engines, 4 helicopters, 8 water tenders, 9 dozers

Start date of fire: September 4, 2011
Location: 6 miles northeast of Bastrop, Texas
Fuels: Timber/residential area
Total personnel: 1210

UPDATE- Highway 21 is open today to all traffic. Highway 71 is open, Union Chapel area is open.

A re-entry plan is established that will allow registered residents with placards re-entry to the following subdivisions at 10 a.m. on the following dates:

- **Monday, September 12**--Circle D, Pine Valley, KC Estates, and Pine Hill Estates
- **Tuesday, September 13**--ColoVista-Southern Portion, Wilderness Ridge, Harmon Road, Cottletown Road, Bastrop State Park, Beuscher State Park, Park Road 1C South.
- **Thursday, September 15**--Pine Forest, Tahitian Village East, ColoVista North, Mcallister.

Placards for residents returning today into Circle D, Pine Valley, KC Estates, and Pine Hill Estates are available at the intersection of Highway 21 and FM 1441 or at the Sheriff's Office at 200 Jackson Street in Bastrop. Media will be allowed into the Circle D, Pine Valley, KC Estates and Pine Hill Estates at 2:00 pm today.

CURRENT CONDITION OF BASTROP FIRE AREA- Firefighters are making excellent progress on containing the Bastrop fire and mopping up inside the fire perimeter. Utility crews are working as quickly and safely as possible to make secure the area and make it safe for residents to return. Hot spots and other hazards still exist within the perimeter. The **Bastrop Fire** is 60 percent contained and the **Union Chapel Fire** is 90 percent contained. Some roads remain temporarily closed for public and firefighter safety. The fire area and subdivisions under evacuations are being patrolled by law enforcement 24 hours a day to prevent looting.

A new list of homes burned has been posted at the front of the Bastrop Convention Center. 875 homes have been GPS confirmed and verified with 911 addresses. As county assessment crews get into the burned areas they are verifying houses burned; no homes have burned since September 7.

ASSISTANCE: 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or www.DisasterAssistance.gov or dial **211** for local information and statewide public services.

SAFETY MESSAGE-*Residents are strongly encouraged to take safety precautions during re-entry due to possible dangers that may exist in the ashes and around their property. For questions on these precautions, please call the Public Information for the Bastrop County Fire Complex at 512-332-8814 or 8856.*

ROAD CLOSURE UPDATE (Opening dates are for RESIDENTS ONLY):

- **Pine Path eastbound is closed at Old Firetower Road- OPENS TODAY**
- **Park Road 1C is closed at Old Antioch Road-OPENS TUESDAY SEPT.14**
- **Cottletown Road is closed at Antioch Road- OPENS TUESDAY SEPT. 14**
- **Gotier Trace westbound is closed at Antioch Road- OPENS TUESDAY SEPT. 14**
- **Tahitian Village north of Wahane Lane and east of Akaloa-OPENS THURSDAY. SEPT.15**

For further information, go to the Bastrop County website at <http://www.co.bastrop.tx.us/> or call 512-332-8814 or 512-332-8856. Also see <http://www.inciweb.org> for updates, maps and photos.