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## INCIDENT UPDATE

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### **Marek Fire Update** *As of October 14, 2008, 8:30 a.m.*

Fire. The fire is now 70% contained. Helicopters and stage strike teams have been situated along Foothill Blvd. in case of flare-ups. Areas of greatest danger are the upper canyons near the Pacoima Dam.

Evacuation Centers. Nearby evacuation centers remain open at San Fernando Senior High School, 11133 O'Melveny, San Fernando; and Sylmar Senior High School, 13050 Borden Ave., Sylmar.

Power Outages. Due to high winds, Southern California Edison is predicting possible power outages throughout the day. The City of San Fernando is taking precautions to maintain power at key locations including water pump stations.

Public Safety. Fire units are on stand-by to address spot fires caused by burning embers. Police services remain at normal levels. Public Works crews continue to respond to downed tree limbs.

Health Advisory. Residents should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion. Those with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors. Respiratory facilities are available at San Fernando and Sylmar Senior High Schools.

Highway Conditions. Interstate 210 is now open in both directions between State Route 2 and Interstate 5. State Route 118 is also open in both directions between Interstates 5 and 210.

Traffic Conditions. Traffic congestion is reported on Glenoaks Blvd. between Maclay Ave. and the city's eastern boundary. Road closures are not reported within the City of San Fernando.

School Closures. The following schools are closed today: Lake View Terrace Charter, Triumph Academy Charter and Wooden Shoe Preschool. The Los Angeles Unified School District is advising students to visit [www.lausd.net](http://www.lausd.net) or call (213) 241-4500 for updated school closure information.

Updates. Future updates regarding the Marek fire will be posted on the City's website ([www.sfcity.org](http://www.sfcity.org)) and broadcasted on San Fernando Radio AM 1690. The County of Los Angeles has also established a hotline for up-to-date fire information: (800) 439-2909.

