

# Alisal Fire Update for Tuesday, October 19, 2021

Forest Service News Release

**17,254 Acres**

**93% Containment**

**969 Total Personnel**

## Yesterday

Low cloud cover, decreased temperatures, higher relative humidity and some drizzle aided firefighters in moderating the Alisal Fire. Small patches of heat and some smoke persists around Drop point 40. Crews mopped and patrolled all along the fire's northern edge beneath Reagan Ranch and into Refugio Canyon. Crews continue to patrol and monitor the fire near the old Sherpa Fire. A small patch of heat remains to the east there, but it poses no threat and firefighters are working to secure it. To the southern edge of the fire crews still have equipment and resources near California Highway 101. Motorists should err on the side of safety when driving Hwy 101 and give firefighters and their equipment wide berth when passing.

## Today

Fire suppression efforts have begun to transition to repair. Today's priority is to secure the few hot spots remaining by Arroyo Hondo to the west and by the old Sherpa burn to the east. Firefighters continue to maintain the fire within the current footprint.

## Weather

A slight warming and drying trend is forecasted today through Friday. Cooler conditions are expected

over the weekend with a chance of rain developing by Sunday afternoon or evening.

## Closures

Los Padres National forest issued a closure of the Santa Barbara Ranger District in the area surrounding the fire. The closure expires Nov. 16, 2021. A map highlighting the closed area is at [www.fs.usda.gov/lpnf](http://www.fs.usda.gov/lpnf).

## Post-Fire Assessment

Cal Fire's Damage Inspection Specialist (DINS) Team is now in the process of conducting a thorough damage assessment of the incident, which includes damaged and destroyed structures and residences.

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- Incident Information (Inciweb): <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7862>
- StoryMap: <https://bit.ly/AlisalFire>
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/LosPadresNationalForest](http://www.facebook.com/LosPadresNationalForest)
- Evacuations: <https://readysbc.org>

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