

NASA: Rim Fire update Aug. 27, 2013

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Fire crews had their hands full with very active fire behavior today. Near Duckwall Ridge, the fire spotted across the line with crews working to control the spot.

The [fire](#) also crossed the 3N01 road in Reynolds Creek, prompting an

expansion of the evacuation advisory in the Highway 108 corridor. Fire crews also were working to contain a spot fire in the southeast portion of the fire as it crossed to the south of Highway 120 at Ackerson Flat. Firefighters were successful in completing dozer line below Pilot Ridge, effectively slowing the fires spread in this location. Tonight crews will continue to work the three spot fires, as well as continue construction on contingency lines and provide structure protection throughout the fire.

The extremely dry fuels, [high winds](#) and potential for long-range spotting remains a significant concern. Heavy reliance on aviation resources has been critical in an effort to slow the fires progress and allow suppression resources to establish indirect control lines in areas where accessibility and safety can be achieved. The availability of heavy aircraft is pertinent to the success of suppression efforts."

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