



## October Lightning Complex – Update # 2

October 30, 2007

Yesterday, October 29, Yosemite National Park experienced two extreme thunderstorms within the fire suppression zone. As of this afternoon, the Park has **seven active fires**, two suppressed and two not found. All are located in **Mariposa County**. It is anticipated that additional fires will be found in the next few days as the ground and fuels dry out.

(\*) Indicates the date the fire was detected. Yosemite Fire Mangers have prioritized the fires in the order in which they are listed. Priority is based on threats to communities and other values. It is important to note that the detected fires are ½ to ¼ acre or less in size and have low to moderate potential for growth.

**Wawona Dome (\*10/29)** - This fire is 1.5 miles east of Wawona. It was contained (surrounded by fire line) today at 2:15 PM. It is **staffed by nine firefighters**. Mop-up is in progress. Lat/long: 37 33.12 x 119 37.12.

**Old Steamboat (\*10/29)** – This fire is within the **1990 Steamboat Fire perimeter**. It is 400 yds east of the Wawona Rd (Hwy 41), near Avalanche Creek. The fuels consist of brush and snags (standing dead trees). It is ½ ac in size. It is contained and twenty-six firefighters are committed. Lat/Long: 37 39.56 x 119 42.29.

**Alder and Turner (\*10/29 & 30)** – These fire were combined and are ½ mile east of Wawona Rd. Fuels consist of brush and timber. Two trees were struck and **.10 ac** (combined) has burned. **Alder** was not located or is “naturally” put-out. Two firefighters were committed. Lat/Long: 37 34.37 x 119 40.4.

**Ned (\*10/30)** – This fire is 1 mile west of the Merced Grove. Two firefighters put this **.10 ac** fire out today. It is in patrol status. Lat/Long: 37 45.18 x 119 50.57.

**Taft (\*10/30)** – This fire is on the north side of Glacier Pt Rd, near Taft Point. It is not staffed due to high fuel moistures from the rains and has very low potential (one down tree burning). Suppression crews will be on scene tomorrow. It is possible this is two fires. Lat/Long: 37 43.2 x 119 35.58.

**Badger (\*10/30)** – This fire is **two miles south of Badger Pass Ski Area**. It is unstaffed and has low potential due to altitude and very moist fuels and consists of one down log. Crew will attend to this fire tomorrow. Its exact location is unknown.

**Barn (\*10/29)** – This fire was in is in **Mariposa Co**, in the community of Foresta. This **.25 acre** fire was detected first and put-out yesterday at approximately 5PM. It continues to be in a patrol status.

**Point (\*10/29)** – This was detected yesterday and found late today. This **.25 acre** fire is near Wawona Point and the South Entrance to the Park. Resources will be placed on this fire on 10/31.

Two reported fires have not been located (Sub-Dome and Rattlesnake). The Rattlesnake is along Hwy 120 and the Sub-Dome is in the area of Half-Dome.

**Additional Information:** The park website, [www.nps.gov/yose/fire](http://www.nps.gov/yose/fire) has information about fire activity and smoke effects in Yosemite.