



NEWS

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CZU Lightning Complex Update:

County to Hold Zoom Discussion on Resources, Recovery

San Mateo County Manager Mike Callagy, Supervisor Don Horsley and others involved in the wildfire response and recovery efforts invite Coastside residents impacted by the fires to join a Zoom discussion this Wednesday to ensure the community has access to the resources and information needed.

The discussion will be translated live in Spanish.

Who: County of San Mateo, other officials; Coastside residents
What: Discussion of wildfire recovery efforts, access to services
Where: Via Zoom
When: Wednesday, September 9, 4 p.m.
How: [Learn more and register.](#)

Get Local Assistance in Pescadero

The County of San Mateo along with numerous partners have opened a Local Assistance Center at Pescadero Elementary School, 620 North St., Pescadero. [Map link.](#)

The center will be open today, Tuesday, Sept. 8 and tomorrow, Wednesday, Sept. 9, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

No appointments are necessary. *Note: All visitors must wear a face covering to comply with local health orders.*

LAC resources are also available at <https://www.smcgov.org/smc-wildfire-recovery>.

The center includes representatives from:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency

- California Department of Motor Vehicles
- California Department of Public Health Vital Records
- California Department of Social Services
- San Mateo County Human Services Agency
- San Mateo County Veterans Services Office
- Puente de la Costa Sur
- San Mateo County Large Animal Evacuation Group

Following the close of business on Wednesday, residents may continue to access services at <https://www.smcgov.org/smc-wildfire-recovery>.

Fire Update

The CZU Lightning Complex series of fires that began with lightning strikes on August was reported at 81 percent contained as of this morning.

The blaze has consumed 86,509 acres. Approximately 11 residences in San Mateo County were destroyed.

Evacuation orders continue to be lifted in areas deemed safe. On Monday, residents in 38A — North of Whitehouse Canyon Road to the northern boundary of Zone 38 — and residents in 38B — from Año Nuevo Creek to the southern boundary of Zone 38 — were allowed to return home.

Canyon Road at Cloverdale Road and Gazos Creek at Cloverdale Road remain closed.

Public safety officials continue to urge non-residents to avoid the fire area.

County parks of the [Pescadero Creek Complex](#) remain closed, as they are located in the mandatory evacuation zone for the CZU fire. Big Basin, Butano and other state parks in the area also remain closed.

Evacuation Orders

The following areas remain under mandatory evacuation:

- Butano Community area (Zone: SMC-98B)
- Butano State Park including Barranca Knolls Community (Zone: SMC-19)
- Western areas of San Mateo County (SMC-38C)

Additional Information and Resources:

For additional information when returning home, refer to www.fire.ca.gov

Click on the link, “Post wildfire” for safety precautions.

Sign up for CalFire email updates at <https://tinyurl.com/czulightning>

Stay up-to date on air conditions at <https://www.airnow.gov/>

CALFire CZU San Mateo–Santa Cruz Unit Twitter Page: <https://twitter.com/CALFIRECZU>

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