



California Dove Wildfire 07/27/2026

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“California secures federal assistance to support response to Dove Fire in Tuolumne County

***TUOLUMNE** – Moving swiftly to support local and state response efforts to the Dove Fire, Governor Gavin Newsom announced Sunday that California has secured a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to bolster the response to the Dove Fire burning in Tuolumne County.*

The fast-moving Dove Fire ignited on July 26, 2026, just after 2:30 PM near Highway 108 and Stockton Street in Tuolumne County. More than 223 acres have burned, threatening several communities, including the towns of Sonora and Jefferson — forcing the evacuation of more than 600 homes and putting an additional 1,400 under evacuation warnings.

“The Fire Management Assistance Grant is an important tool that helps ensure local and state agencies responding to fast-moving wildfires have the resources needed to keep communities safe,” said Cal OES Director Caroline Thomas Jacobs. “Cal OES remains in close coordination with local emergency managers in Tuolumne County and CALFIRE to support response operations and help ensure communities receive the resources they need throughout this incident.

How the grant works

The FMAG, which is provided through FEMA on a cost-share basis, will assist local, state, and tribal agencies responding to the fire to apply for 75% reimbursement of their eligible fire suppression costs.

Get prepared, stay ready

Residents are urged to stay vigilant during this heightened heat and fire weather period. Californians are reminded to:

*Sign up for local emergency alerts to stay informed about changing conditions.
Prepare a wildfire action plan, including planning evacuation routes and packing a go-bag with essentials.*

For more information on fire safety and general preparedness, visit [Ready.ca.gov](https://www.ready.ca.gov)

Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

Tuolumne County Emergency Management
2 South Green St.
Sonora, CA 95370
209-533-5511

[Office of Emergency Services | Tuolumne County, CA - Official Website](#)

[Tuolumne County Emergency Management Facebook](#)

[Tuolumne County Fire Incident Map](#)

[Tuolumne County Road Closure Status](#)

[Dove Fire Evacuation Information | CAL FIRE](#)

Incidents:

*If you need EMERGENCY assistance: Call 911
Tuolumne County Public Information Line: (209) 533-5151 (during active incidents)*

INFORMATION SOURCES

*Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services (with voicemail):
(209) 533-6395 or email oes@co.tuolumne.ca.us*

*FOR MOST CURRENT UPDATES ON THE DOVE FIRE IN SONORA,
Please follow the resources below:*

[Tuolumne County Fire Information Map \(Interactive\)](#) - with address lookup

[Tuolumne County ROAD CLOSURE Status Map](#)

FIRE STATUS INFORMATION: [CAL FIRE TCU Facebook](#)

EVACUATION WARNINGS/ORDERS: [Tuolumne county Sheriff Facebook](#)

American Red Cross

American Red Cross California Gold Region
83 S Stewart Street, Suite 211
Sonora, CA 95370
916-993-7070

[Gold Country | California | American Red Cross](#)
[American Red Cross Gold Country Facebook](#)

For the most up to date map of open shelters, please visit: [Disaster Shelters | Find Shelters | American Red Cross.](#)

Open Shelters:

Tuolumne CRC (small animals - dogs and cats - accepted)
18241 Bay Ave
Tuolumne, CA 95379

Tuolumne County Transit Center
12879 Justice Ctr Dr,
Sonora, CA 95370

Department of Transportation

Tuolumne County Transportation Council
2 S Green St,
Sonora, CA 95370
(209) 533-5603
[District 10 | Caltrans](#)
[CalTrans HQ Facebook](#)

United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at [Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211.](#)

[211 Tuolumne County - Help is Just a Call or Click Away!](#)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362

[FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov)

Please visit the website and click on “*Disaster Declarations*”. If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: [Individual Assistance | FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov/individual-assistance) to apply online.

DisasterAssistance.gov

[Home | disasterassistance.gov](https://www.disasterassistance.gov)

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: [Search Your Location | FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov/search-your-location)

American Red Cross National

(800) 733-2767

[American Red Cross | Help Those Affected by Disasters](https://www.redcross.org/help-those-affected-by-disasters)

National Weather Service

Weather alerts by state are available at: [Active Alerts \(weather.gov\)](https://www.weather.gov/alerts).

The Weather Channel

Local forecasts and severe weather.

[National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The Weather Channel and weather.com.](https://www.weather.com)

Safe Travel USA

[SafeTravelUSA](https://www.safetravelusa.com)

National Traffic And Road Closure Information

[National Traffic and Road Closure Information | Federal Highway Administration \(dot.gov\)](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/traffic/)

Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at <https://www.liveandworkwell.com>.