Butte Fire Recovery



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Butte Fire 2015

- Start Date: September 9, 2015
- Affected Counties: Amador and Calaveras
- Starting Location: East of Jackson, in Amador County
- State of Emergency was declared by Governor Jerry Brown on September 11, 2015 in Amador and Calaveras County.



Statistics

- > Total Acres Burned: 70,868 Acres
- Structures Destroyed:
 - 921 Structures
 - 549 Homes
 - 368 Outbuildings
 - 4 Commercial Properties
- Injuries:
 - 2 Fatalities
 - 1 injury







View from Calaveras County Government Center September 11, 2015





Role of REHS

- In the event of a disaster, the main objectives for a Registered Environmental Health Specialist are:
 - To assure the availability of safe, potable water to the public.
 - Prevent waterborne diseases





Potable Water Filling Stations



Site Assessments

- 8 REHS performed site assessments
 - Document site hazards and well and septic
 - Mutual Aid from L.A. County EHD, Sacramento County EMD, San Joaquin County EHD, Tuolumne County EHD, Eldorado County EHD
 - Bottle Water cases were provided during the site assessments
 - 723 properties inspected in 13 days



Site Assessment Checklist





Damaged Well



Damaged Hydro-pneumatic Tank



Damaged Concrete Pads



Melted Storage Tank



BUTTE FIRE - CALAVERAS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249
Phone: 209-754-6399 Fax: 209-754-6722
WELL INSPECTION / REPAIR RECORD
Drifter or pump contractor to complete. Please return completed record to Environmental Health.
Activity Date
Assessor's Parcel Number (APN)
Physical AddressCity_City
Property Owner NamePhase #
Contractor Name:Phone #:
License Type:License Number:
SEALING / DESTRUCTION RECORD;
DESCRIBE SEALING METHOD OR MATERIAL
ATANK.
DESCRIBE REPAIRS TO PUMP, RECTRICAL BOX, CASING OR CAP, ATTACH PHOTOS DOCOMENTING REPAIRS IF POSSIBLE
DIRLER / PUMP CONTRACTOR NOTES:
WELL DESIN PETRON & WATER GUALITY ANALYSIS
DESCRIBE HOW WELL WAS DESINFECTED - WERE WATER SAMPLES TAKEN?
CONTRACTOR SIGNATUREDATE

Transition to Recovery

- "Right of Entry (ROE)" program established
 MOU with CA Recycle
 Coordinate debris operations with local, state and federal agencies
 - Players included local EHD, CalRecycle, OES supported by other agencies, contractors and CAEHA



Basic Eligibility for the ROE

Debris must be:

- The result of a declared event
- Located in the designated disaster area
- The legal responsibility of an eligible applicant

Eligible Work

- Eliminates immediate threat to lives and public health & safety
- Eliminates immediate threats of significant damage to improved public or private property
- Ensures economic recovery of the affected community to the benefit of the community at large





Before

After









The End

- Any Questions??
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