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Windy Peak Fire Discovered in Kings Canyon National Park

The Windy Peak Fire was discovered during a reconnaissance flight today in Kings Canyon National Park.

The fire is north of the Middle Fork of the Kings River near Simpson Meadow and Windy Peak. This is a lightning-caused fire estimated at 40 acres.

The fire is burning in brush and mixed conifer at 7,000 feet in elevation and has moderate to high potential for growth. There are currently no threats to life or property.

The parks are attempting to suppress fires because of fire danger, drought conditions, and the need for crews for fires throughout the state and nation.

The parks plan to insert crews near the fire to determine the response strategy based on the available resources.

The Hotel Creek Fire has been contained at 30 acres. The Hotel Creek Trail has been re-opened.

The Hockett Fire has been contained at 41 acres. The trail leading from the Hockett Meadow Ranger Station to Evelyn Lake and Cahoon Rock is closed for firefighter and public safety.

The Chagoopa Fire, on the Chagoopa Plateau in Sequoia National Park, and is estimated at 5 acres. This fire is in the wilderness and there are no threats to life or property. It remains unstaffed until the higher priority fires are contained.

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