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## King Fire Conditions Affecting Lake Tahoe

**South Lake Tahoe, CA (September 17, 2014)** – The smoke that is visible on the West Shore of Lake Tahoe is a product of the King Fire. The El Dorado County Air Quality Management District, Health and Human Services Agency Public Health Division has issued a Wildfire Smoke Advisory today advising residents who see or smell smoke should consider taking the following precautions:

- Healthy people should delay strenuous outdoor exercise until the smoke has cleared.
- Children and older people should consider avoiding outdoor activity, especially prolonged outdoor exercise.
- People with health-related illnesses, particularly those with respiratory problems, should stay indoors.
- Windows and doors should stay closed as much as possible. Use the recycle or re-circulate mode on the air conditioner in your home and car.
- Avoid using non-HEPA paper face mask filters that do not filter extra fine particles.
- Keep airways moist by drinking lots of water.

Caltrans has reported that Highway 50 reopened at approximately 2:00 pm today. According to Nevada Department of Transportation, Kingsbury Grade remains closed due to roadway construction.

At this point in time there is not a threat to Lake Tahoe. If the fire does grow, we will certainly utilize the Emergency Alert System to advise the community of any potential dangers. To receive Emergency Alerts from the City of South Lake Tahoe, sign up online at [www.cityofslt.us/signup](http://www.cityofslt.us/signup)

The following links can provide additional information on the King Fire.

[King Fire PIO Facebook page updated by Calfire and USFS](#)

[El Dorado County](#)

[Inciweb](#)

[Air Quality Index for Lake Tahoe](#)

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