

McChrystal After-Action Report: Alerts, Warnings and Evacuations Timeline Overview of Eaton Fire

12/31/24

NWS Santa Ana forecast starting Jan 6

KEY

9:21 AM

NOTIFICATIONS

ORIGINS & ESCALATION

RESPONSE

ALERTS & EVACUATIONS

01/02/25

NWS forecast for Red Flag starting Jan 6 6:26 PM 01/04/25

LA County fire weather post encouraging residents to sign up for alerts 2:30 PM 01/05/25

LA County high winds, fire and power outages notice encouraging residents to be ready to evacuate 3:34 PM 01/06/25

LASD advise staff to be prepared to activate and deploy 7:43 AM

Notification for Particularly Dangerous Situation 3:35 PM 01/07/25 01/08/25

requested

First report of fire moving

west of Lake Ave.

evacuation order (13 zones)

& 1 evacuation warning

(6 zones)

orders (23 zones) 4:35 AM

Fire has burned 1,000 acres

Evacuation order issued for 19 zones

zones) & 2 evacuation warnings (18 zones)

Fire has burned 2,227 acres

evacuation order (2 zones) & 2 evacuation warnings (6 zones)

Air operations able to restart

Fire has burned 10,600 acres

4:50 AM

Mutual aid requested

Sheriff dangerous weather post
12:59 AM
LA County Extreme Weather

10:11 AM

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First Public Safety Power
Shutoff

Advisory

SD5 issues dangerous weather press release 6:05 PM

Eaton fire starts 6:17 PM

WatchDuty notification of fire 6:23 PM

Aircraft grounded due to high winds 6:45 PM

First advisory issued to 12 zones 6:48 PM

Fire has burned 10 acres 6:49 PM

Wind gusts reach 85 mph

Fire has burned 200 acres

First evacuation order issued for 7 zones

Evacuation warning issued for 7 zones 7:55 PM

Wind gusts reach 79 mph 8:00 PM Fire has burned 400 acres

5 evacuation orders (19 zones) & 1 evacuation warning (2 zones)

Wind gusts reach 82 mph 9:00 PM

Wind gusts reach 84 mph 10:00 PM

Additional resources requested 10:51 PM

2 evacuation orders (8 zones) & 5 evacuation warning (21 zones) 01/09/25

Wind gusts reach 77 mph
12:00 AM

Additional resources

2 evacuation ord
(4 zones)
11:47 AM

Fire has burned 13,960 acres

01/10/25 01/31/25

Fire has burned 14,117 acres

Fire 100% contained