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UPDATE – JULY 30, 2018

Wildfires Force Closures of Two Additional California State Parks

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California State Parks announced the closure of two additional state parks today due to wildfires in Northern California. Weaverville Joss House State Historic Park (Trinity County) and Clear Lake State Park (Lake County) are both closed until further notice. The public is advised to avoid these areas.

Shasta State Historic Park in Shasta County continues to be closed. Parts of Mount San Jacinto State Park in Riverside County will reopen tomorrow, July 31. Details on the reopening of this park and how other parks have been impacted are listed below:

River Fire (Mendocino Complex)

Clear Lake State Park - Closed, Not on Fire

- Park was evacuated and closed Sunday night out of precaution due to the Mendocino Complex in Mendocino County.
- Closure includes camping, cabins and any water-related recreational activity at the lake.
- Reservation holders are being contacted about the closure.

Carr Fire

Weaverville Joss House State Historic Park - Closed, Not on Fire

- Park closed on Saturday due to power outages and a road closure at the Trinity and Shasta county lines.
- No immediate threat to the park by the fire.
- Park is normally closed Mondays through Wednesdays.

Shasta State Historic Park – Closed, On Fire

- Park remains closed until further notice.
- Fire destroyed a 1920s schoolhouse and damaged the brewery and cemetery.
- Artifacts were removed from the park and transferred to a secure location.

Cranston Fire

Mount San Jacinto State Park – Partially Closed, Not on Fire

- Starting tomorrow morning, part of the wilderness area will be accessible to the public on the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway side.
- Following areas continue to be closed until further notice:
 - Wilderness area from the Idyllwild side.
 - Idyllwild and Stone Creek campgrounds.
- Reservation holders have been contacted about the closures. Individuals and/or groups that had Wilderness Permits during the park closure will be honored at a later time.

For the latest fire conditions and evacuations, please visit CAL FIRE's website at www.fire.ca.gov/current_incidents.

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