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FACT SHEET

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SBC-JIC Jesusita Fire 088--CORRECTED
DATE: May 15, 2009
TIME: 1200 (12:00 P.M.)

Jesusita Fire Fact Sheet as of May 15, 2009 at 2000 (12:00 P.M./Noon)

Fire Status:

- 8,733 acres burned
- 95% contained
- All evacuation orders and warnings lifted as of May 13, 2009
- Residences threatened – 500; commercial properties threatened – 0
- 80 homes destroyed; 15 homes damaged
- 1 commercial property destroyed
- 2 outbuildings damaged, 79 outbuildings destroyed
- 1,857 personnel on scene: 111 engines, 57 crews
- 1 air attack tanker and 4 helicopters
- 30 firefighter injuries to date
- Cause under investigation: Tip line: (805) 686-5074
- Air quality warning remains in effect
- Estimated costs to date \$17 million
- Expected containment 5/20/09

Local Assistance Center

The County of Santa Barbara will open a Local Assistance Center in the lobby area of the County Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Monday, May 18, for people who lost their homes, had homes damaged or who were otherwise impacted by the fire. The Assistance Center will be open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, until further notice.

Recovery Meeting

County Supervisors Salud Carbajal, First District, and Janet Wolf, Second District, will co-host a Recovery Meeting at 6:30 p.m., Monday, May 18, at the County Administration Building, 105 E. Anapamu St., in the Fourth Floor Board Hearing Room. The emphasis of the meeting is for residents who lost homes or who had homes damaged during the fire.

Trail & Park Closures:

- The San Marcos Foothills Preserve is closed to public until further notice.
- The Jesusita Trail, Tunnel Road Trail, and Rattlesnake Canyon Trail are closed to the public until further notice.
- San Antonio Creek Trail is open.

Road Closures:

- Road Closure Hotline – 805-568-3006
- www.countyofsb.org/pwd/roads/closure.htm

UCSB Multi Activity Center is now on standby status

The Red Cross has placed the Emergency Shelter at the Multi Activity Center (aka Rec Center) on the UCSB Campus on standby status. Anyone currently in need of assistance should go to the Red Cross Service Center at 2101 State Street or call the American Red Cross, Santa Barbara County Chapter at (805) 687-1331.

Red Cross Opens Service Center

An American Red Cross Service Center has been opened in the Fellowship Hall of the First Congregational Church at 2101 State St (enter from Padre Street) to serve those most affected by the Jesusita Fire. It will be open during the following hours:

Friday, May 15	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Saturday, May 16	12 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Sunday, May 17	12 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Monday, May 18	9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Key Phone Numbers:

- The County Call Center is now closed.
- Red Cross (805) 687-1331
- Animal Services Hotline (805) 681-4332

The Internet:

- City of Santa Barbara website at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov
- County of Santa Barbara website at www.CountyofSB.org.
- Montecito Fire Department at www.montecitofire.com/jesunitarecovery.htm

Television:

- CityTV Channel 18
- County of Santa Barbara TV Channel 20
- KEYT-TV Channel 3

Radio Stations:

- FM: KCSB-91.9; KSYV-96.7; KTYD-99.9; KSBL-101.7; KRAZ-105.9
- AM: KTMS-990; KZSB-1290; KUHL-1410; KINF-1440
- Spanish language FM stations KSPE-94.5 and KIST-107.7