

Firefighters gaining control on S. Calif. wildfires

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By late Friday, firefighters appeared to be gaining control of the Crown fire near Palmdale.

Authorities did not issue any further updates on the fire's status, leaving the total acreage burned so far at 13,000 acres, but the day's aggressive aerial assault appears to have been successful.

Several spot fires continued to burn throughout the area, however, including near the backyards of some homes. About 300 homes were still under evacuation orders.

Several structures have been damaged or destroyed since the fire began Thursday afternoon, including some homes, but officials have yet to determine the total number.

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