

Washoe Drive Fire contained, people allowed to return home

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The Washoe Drive Fire was considered 100 percent contained as of 6am, Sierra Fire Protection District spokesman Mark Regan said.

All evacuation requirements were lifted by 8am, Regan said.

“The weather helped, but also the crews working helped speed things along,” Regan said.

That included NV Energy, which made sure there were no dangers to the public from power lines, and the Nevada Department of Transportation, which fixed the guardrails and cleaned the roads of debris.

“We couldn’t lift the evacuation order until the area was secured,” Regan said.

About 2,000 people in the area of Pleasant Valley and Old Highway 395 was reopened about 11 on Friday night, Regan said.