

Firefighting helicopter calls Tahoe National Forest home

Tahoe National Forest fire crews are ready just in case a fire breaks out in the region.

Helicopter 514 is in place at the White Cloud station on Highway 20. Other suppression support is also there for the 15-member crew.

The Bell 212 is is a medium size helicopter that can carry water, firefighting supplies and a crew of eight. Advantages to it over the larger tankers is the ability to get into confined spaces as well get personnel to remote locations.