Crews contain West Shore blaze to 1 acre



The General Creek area of Sugar Pine Point is where a fire burned Thursday. Photo/LTN file

A 1-acre fire in the General Creek area of Sugar Pine Point State Park on Thursday sent off alarms throughout the basin.

While CalFire was the lead agency, with the primary back up by the U.S. Forest Service, it was a reminder of how quickly agencies want to douse any flames in the Lake Tahoe Basin. Several trucks responded to the West Shore blaze to ensure it did not spread farther.

The day before crews battled a 15-acre blaze just outside the basin near the top of Kingsbury Grade. Wind was a factor in both fires.

Forest Service officials told *Lake Tahoe News* that lightning is the probable cause of the June 13 fire. No official cause of the King Fire has been released.

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