

USFS working on fire at Dicks Lake

An abandoned illegal campfire that flared up last week at Dicks Lake in Desolation Wilderness is expected to be extinguished Sunday.

The U.S. Forest Service authorized bucket drops and a crew hiked in with a pump.

This fire would not have been visible from the lake.

However, there were reports on Sept. 20 from people in Kings Beach that they could see flames from the King Fire.

“This was checked out by aircraft. Apparently it was a trick of the light – sunlight refraction through the heavy smoke,” Cheva Gabor, spokeswoman for the USFS, told *Lake Tahoe News*.

The fire remains a considerable distance from the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit boundary. There is no immediate threat to the basin and no evacuation orders at the current time.

Smoke, though, continues to be an issue throughout the basin.

– *Lake Tahoe News staff report*