

USFS working on fire in Desolation Wilderness

Fire crews are trying to extinguish a blaze on the shore of Snow Lake above Cascade Lake in Desolation Wilderness.

A call came in about 4:30pm Sept. 24 of a large plume of smoke in that area.

First report is that a half acre had burned. However, with the timber in the area it has the potential for a moderate rate of spread, according to the U.S. Forest Service.

A team of firefighters was airlifted in. They will fight the fire with hand tools, chain saws and pumps. Airdrops were also made.

The fire is visible from Highway 89 on the South Shore. It has nothing to do with the King Fire.

– Lake Tahoe News staff report