

Emerald Fire evacuees returning home



This is one of several hazardous trees in the Emerald Fire burn area.
Photo/CalFire

Most evacuation orders in the Emerald Fire have been lifted.

Cascade Properties and Cascade Lake are open only to residents.

The 176-acre fire that started in the predawn hours of Oct. 14 on the South Shore remains at 90 percent contained on Sunday afternoon.

Liberty Utilities has restored power to Cascade Properties,

Cascade Lake, Camp Shelly, Camp Concord, Cathedral side of Fallen Leaf Lake, and Taylor Creek Visitors Center.

Highway 89 is still closed around Emerald Bay as crews clear the roadway of hazardous trees.

The National Weather Service in Reno had also issued a flash flood warning this afternoon for the burn area, as it has been raining steadily all day.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

– Lake Tahoe News staff report