

Weary Californians try to find all that's lost as fires rage



The wind forecast is not good for firefighting.

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They are trying to find lost loved ones, to sift through the ashes of their homes, to count, identify and mourn the dozens of dead – all while the wildfires rage on.

Communities in Northern California prepared for another day under siege Friday, despite being driven to exhaustion by evacuations, destruction and danger in the deadliest week of wildfires the state has ever seen.

“It wears you out,” said winemaker Kristin Belair, who was driving back from Lake Tahoe to her as-yet-unburned home in Napa. “Anybody who’s been in a natural disaster can tell you that it goes on and on. I think you just kind of do hour by hour almost.”

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