

Officials proclaim new level of wildfire danger

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Fire officials gathered in Santa Rosa's devastated Fountaingrove neighborhood Wednesday to implore residents of the entire state to prepare for what they fear will be another long, dangerous wildfire season.

Some 950 wildfires have burned more than 5,800 acres of California so far this year, and residents need to recognize that fire, as a result of a host of factors including climate change, is now a year-round threat, CalFire Director Ken Pimlott said.

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