



ADVISORY ON SADDLERIDGE FIRE 10 OCTOBER 2019

The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs all Filipinos and Filipino-Americans within its jurisdiction that a fire dubbed, "Saddleridge Fire" was reported in the San Fernando Valley on 10 October 2019 at 9:00 p.m. Initial areas affected include Porter Ranch and Granada Hills where 25 homes were burned. The fire is quickly moving to Santa Clarita and Ventura County.

Filipinos and Filipino-Americans are strongly advised to abide by the instructions of local authorities and take extra precautions pertaining to the fire.

As of 1400H (Pacific Standard Time), approximately 17 hours since the wind-driven wildfire started near Yarnell and Saddleridge Roads exit off the Interstate 210, there has been no reported injuries or casualties involving Filipino nationals or Filipino-Americans.

The Los Angeles Fire Department estimated that the Saddleridge fire has burned 7,500 acres and is 13% contained as of 11 October 2019. Affected residents have been ordered to proceed to the following evacuation centers:

People and small pets

Sylmar Recreation Center (13109 Borden Ave)

NEW: Northridge Recreation Center (18300 Lemarsh St)

FULL: Granada Hills Recreation Center is now full and not able to accept any more residents

FULL: Mason Park (10500 Mason Ave)

Large Animals

Hansen Dam (11770 Foothill Blvd)

The Consulate General closely monitors the situation through coordination with Filipino-American community leaders residing in the affected areas and L.A. concerned agencies.

Please contact the Consulate General's hotline through +1 (213) 587-0758 or +1 (213) 268-9990 for any information on Filipino casualty or Filipinos needing emergency assistance. END.