

Evacuations have been lifted throughout La Crescenta and La Canada but remain in place in some neighborhoods in north Glendale within the 91214 zip code. Firefighters have moved from the 5% containment stalemate they have been in for the past several days to a now 22% containment.

When Los Angeles County Fire Inspector Ed Osorio visited community members on Monday afternoon at the Red Cross shelter at Crescenta Valley High School he said firefighters had made progress against the fire during the day.

"I can't promise that the evacuations will be lifted but I think you will be home tonight," he said.

A short while later it became official and evacuations were lifted in all of La Crescenta and La Canada.

"I know last night a lot of you saw fingers of fire coming down the mountain. That was the way we planned it," Osorio said.

The fire was part of the back burn firefighters started on Monday as a way to battle the blaze. Tuesday afternoon and evening saw those same types of high flames dance just on the edge of homes near Deukmejian Park. This was all part of a tactical effort to, in a sense, herd the control fire toward the wild fire, Osorio said, so that once the two fires met they would cancel each other out. This form of firefighting seemed to have worked for La Crescenta as evacuations were lifted.

Firefighters continue a tactical or back burn in the area of Deukmejian Park. Mandatory evacuations remain on the south side of Markridge Road, Skyridge Drive, Skyview Lane, Brittany Place, Arnell Place, the top of Boston Avenue north of Markridge Road and the top of Dunsmore Avenue north of Markridge Road. Mail delivery can be picked up at the La Crescenta U.S. Post Office, 2708 Foothill Blvd. for those residents who have been evacuated. The Red Cross Shelter at Crescenta Valley High School remains open for evacuated residents.

Several Glendale city parks remain closed. They include: New York, Dunsmore, Deukmejian, Glendale Sports and Montrose Park.

Glendale Unified School District schools are closed on Wednesday.

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For information on the status of the City of La Canada, visit the website [www.lacanadaflintridge.com](http://www.lacanadaflintridge.com)

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