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Transylvania County Forest Fire Update, 3 PM

Transylvania County, NC Fire Evacuations are Lifted Effective Immediately

After reviewing current conditions and operational plans across federal, state and local agencies, the mandatory evacuation orders are being lifted for residences in Transylvania County, North Carolina. At this stage, the fire in North Carolina has been primarily on state forest lands with minimal impact to private property. Residents previously under the mandatory evacuation may return to their homes. The maps are being revised to show a yellow zone reflecting area where residents are advised to maintain situational awareness and have preparations in place should a new evacuation order be issued. The rain and the dedicated work of our first responder community have decreased the imminent threat to life and property. The burn ban remains in place and operations will continue to manage the Table Rock Fire.