Preliminary Summary Report of Serious or Near Serious CAL FIRE Injuries, Illnesses and Accidents



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# **Firefighter Burn Injuries**

#### August 28, 2021

**Caldor Incident** 

21-CA-ENF-024030

**California Northern Region** 

## SUMMARY

On Saturday August 28, 2021, at approximately 1:55 PM, during mop up operations, a Local Government firefighter suffered 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns. The injuries occurred on Division Juliet of the Caldor Incident in El Dorado County just west of Strawberry. The firefighter fell into an area of white ash, resulting in burns to both hands, forearms, and abdomen. The firefighter was treated by incident personnel and ground transported to the UC Davis burn center. Due to smoke conditions on the incident, transport by air ambulance was not possible.

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Ensure that appropriate fireline personal protective equipment (PPE) is always worn during all fire suppression activities.

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