

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



BLUE SHEET

Fire Engine Destroyed by Fire

September 10, 2026

Lucas Incident

26-CA-LNU-016127

California Northern Region

SUMMARY

On Thursday, September 10, 2026, at approximately 1415 hours, on the Lucas Incident in Lake County, California, a CAL FIRE Type 3 fire engine was impacted by radiant heat and direct flame. The engine was traveling on a fire access road to the top of a ridge on the incident to support fire suppression efforts. The engine became stuck and could not continue, so personnel evacuated and traveled on foot to a safe location. The engine was a complete loss; there were no injuries to the engine personnel.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- Evaluate road or dozer line conditions prior to traveling by vehicle.
- Utilize a spotter or have personnel scout incident access to ensure the viability of use by equipment.