

UC Santa Cruz Declaration of Emergency – Residential Campus Only
August 27, 2020

Background and Findings

Numerous wildfires burn throughout the state. On August 18, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued a state of emergency in California due to fires burning statewide. As of this date, UC Santa Cruz remains impacted by the wildfires burning in Santa Cruz County and elsewhere in Northern California.

Yesterday CAL FIRE lifted the mandatory evacuation order for the UC Santa Cruz residential campus. However, emergent conditions exist on the campus that continue to pose a threat of serious injury to persons and have damaged property because of the Lightning Complex Fires. While containment of the Lightning Complex Fires improves, the fires continue to actively burn thousands of acres across inaccessible terrain with modest resources. As this tragic event continues to unfold extraordinary measures are required immediately to alleviate and repair damage to and to maintain the orderly operation of the residential campus.

On August 20, 2020, I issued a declaration of emergency. I modified and replaced the August 20th order on August 26, 2020, wherein I declared a state of emergency to exist on the UC Santa Cruz properties located at the: Coastal Science Campus, Westside Research Park, and residential campus, with exceptions for some employee housing. I hereby modify and replace yesterday's order as set forth below.

Chancellor's Second MODIFIED Order

WHEREFORE, AS CHANCELLOR OF THE UC SANTA CRUZ CAMPUS, I DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO EXIST ON THE RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS, EXCEPT AS DETAILED BELOW.

I FURTHER DECLARE:

- The residential campus REMAINS CLOSED, except for faculty and staff housing at Laureate Court, Hager Court, Ranch View Terrace, Hagar Meadow and Cardiff Terrace.
- Coastal Science Campus and Westside Research Park may resume authorized operations pursuant to the COVID -19 resumption process as they existed on August 20, 2020.
- Except as stated herein, consistent with the authority under California Penal Code Section 409.5, UC Santa Cruz Police Department will close the residential campus for the duration of this order to any and all persons not authorized to enter or remain. Anyone not authorized to enter or remain at any of these facilities is subject to arrest and/or emergency suspension, until such time this declaration is rescinded.

This SECOND MODIFIED order is **effective immediately** until further notice.

Cynthia Larive
Chancellor