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SHENANDOAH COUNTY STATUS UPDATE-Wildfires

Woodstock, Virginia – Shenandoah County continues to deal with the effects of several wildfires across the county.

Two large fires: The Crooked Run Road fire near Basye and the Coal Mine Road fire northwest of Strasburg are considered contained at this time. Monitoring crews remain on the scene to address any rekindling.

At this time 5 homes are confirmed lost due to the fire in the Coal Mine Road area; this number may change as the area is assessed. At this time there are no known fatalities associated with any of the fires.

For homes not affected, those residents evacuated during the Coal Mine Road fire may return.

While the county continues to monitor the contained fires, resources are being concentrated in anticipation of fire suppression activity near the New Market Gap on Massanutten Mountain between Page and Shenandoah Counties. The fire has begun moving west into Shenandoah County. Both east and westbound lanes of U.S. 211 are closed to through traffic.

Weather conditions have improved over yesterday with lower winds forecasted which will facilitate firefighting activity, however, humidity levels remain low. Residents should remain vigilant to wildfire.

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