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The movement of large amounts of firefighting equipment through the Donner Summit and Foresthill areas this weekend is not a sign that either area is in imminent danger from the King Fire.

Officials from agencies involved in fighting the fire moved to reassure the public Saturday, noting that the movement of increased fire resources is due to the establishment of an Incident Command Post (ICP) in the Foresthill area.

An ICP was established in El Dorado County by the King Fire Incident Management Team soon after the fire started near Pollock Pines on Sept. 13.

A decision was made this week to bring in a second management team and set up a second ICP after the King Fire moved into Placer County mid-week. The move allows CAL FIRE, the U.S. Forest Service and other fire agencies to better address their logistical needs.

Foresthill now is being used as a staging area by the management team at the new ICP. Equipment is being moved along Soda Springs-Baker Ranch Road in the Donner Summit area because the road provides easy access to the northern and western edges of the Fire.

Updated fire information is available from the Forest Service at <http://inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/4108/> and from CAL FIRE at www.fire.ca.gov. The number for the CAL FIRE King Fire Information Line is 530-647-5218.

Air quality information is available on the Placer County Air Pollution Control District's website at <http://www.placer.ca.gov/air/currentairquality>.

The Placer County Office of Emergency Services has a call center at 530-886-5310 to answer public inquiries about smoke, potential evacuations, road closures and other county issues. There currently are no evacuations in Placer County and none are imminent.

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