

A large fire burning in a field at night, with a dark structure visible on the left.

**Camp Pendleton
Fire Siege 2007**

Rice Fire



Open lines of communications assisted with orderly development of fire camp at Camp Pendleton



Pre-planned evacuation routes out of Fallbrook originated from needs identified from the Gavilan Fire.

Twenty-three thousand vehicles traveled through Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton on their way to evacuation centers

- **Horno/Ammo Fire** burned 21,004 acres

- October 23 0920 hrs

- **Wilcox Fire** burned 200 acres

- October 23 1030 hrs

- **Freeway Fire** burned 20 acres

- October 24 0100 hrs

- **Stable Fire** burned 80 acres

AMMO Fire



Work rest periods for firefighters, some over 72 hours

AMMO FIRE



Chief Metcalf was readily available as Area Coordinator



Co-locating both CAL-Fire Team 3 & 5 at Lake O'Neil was a cost savings.

AMMO Fire



Significant political interest in power-grid infrastructure from Federal and State agencies.



No fires on the installation were due to marines' training



Wilcox Fire Oct. 23 1040 hrs



- Communications issues with military helicopters
- Three Camp Pendleton Firefighters assigned to military helicopters

9 Engines committed to fires in San Diego County

9 Engines committed to four fires on Camp Pendleton

CAL-FIRE Team 5 assigned to AMMO/HORNO Fire. Fire Camp at Lake O'Neil

CAL-FIRE Team 3 assigned to Rice Fire. Fire Camp at Lake O'Neil



AMMO/HORNO Fire 21,004 acres
WILCOX Fire 200 acres
FREEWAY Fire 20 acres
STABLE Fire 80 acres
Total acreage burned 21,304 acres