



Lake Isabella, CA

2016 Fire

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Directions:

Use Google Maps to direct you to the project site. The house is located on Edna Street on the intersection with Jerry Avenue. Look for the MDS signs!

Location

Lake Isabella is situated on the southwestern edge of its namesake, the Lake Isabella Reservoir. It is located northeast of Bakersfield, in the southern end of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. The population of Lake Isabella is approximately 3,500 people. Tourism is a major business in the area, as it is popular with outdoor enthusiasts. Temperatures range from just above freezing to about 100 degrees, and most of the rain falls in the winter months.

Disaster

The Erskine Fire started in June 2016, and burnt over 8,000 acres before it was contained in July 2016. Approximately 250 homes were destroyed by the fire. This was the 15th most destructive fire in California state history.

MDS

MDS will build 2 new homes in Lake Isabella, working with Lake Isabella LTRC (TLC), the long term recovery group for the wildfire. Accommodations will be in a 4 bedroom house in Lake Isabella.

Transportation Options

It is the responsibility of weekly volunteers to plan, schedule, and pay for their transportation to and from the project in Lake County. If you have questions about this, please call the Coordinator for Weekly Volunteers at 800-241-8111.

- If you are driving, you can come directly to the project site.
- If you are traveling by plane, you can fly in to Bakersfield. Someone from the project can meet you at the airport to transport you to the site.
- If you are traveling by Amtrak, you can come to Bakersfield. Someone from the project can meet you at the station to transport you to the site.