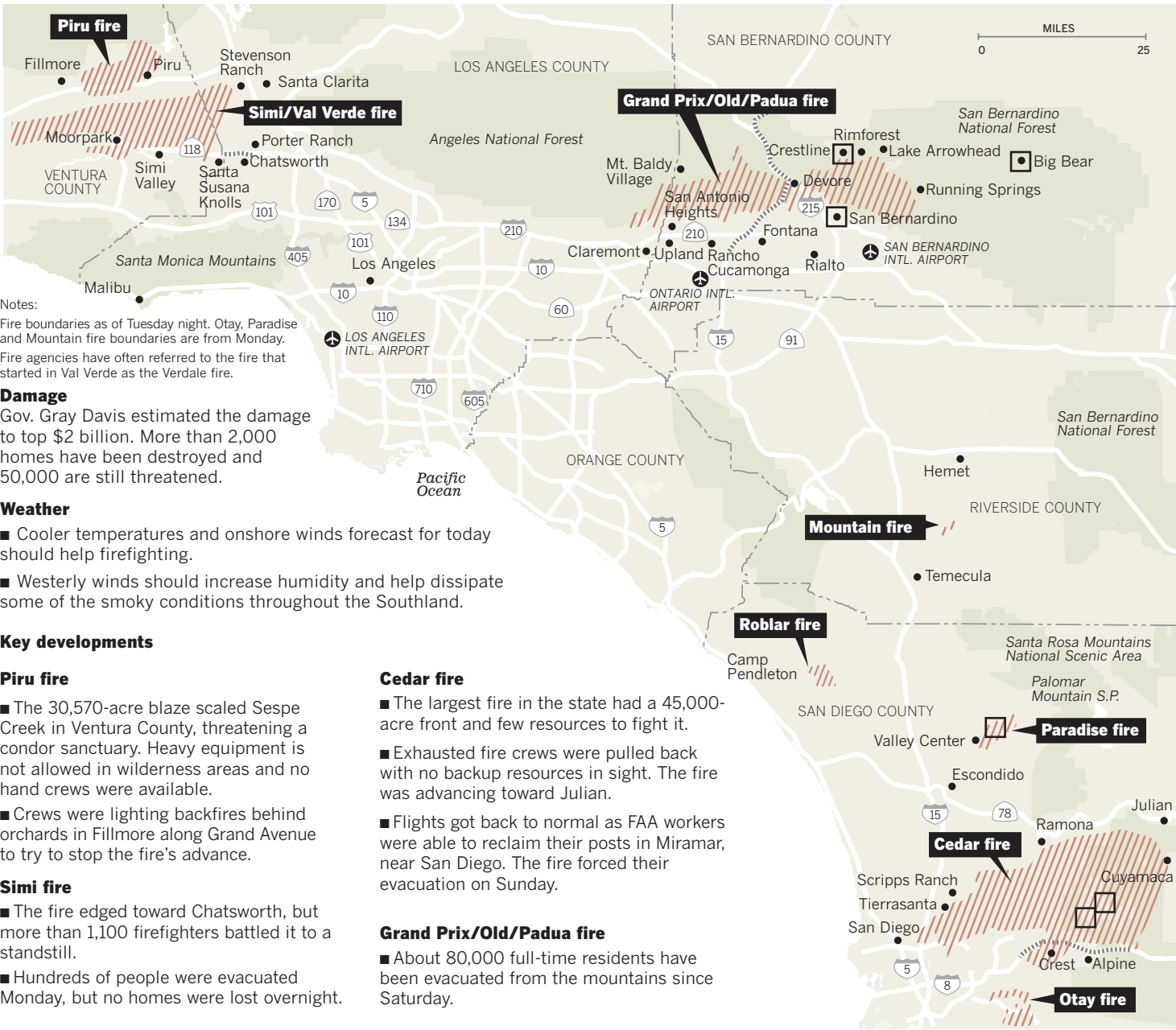


Tuesday's developments in Southland fires

/// Approximate boundary of fire □ Where deaths occurred Road closures



Notes:
 Fire boundaries as of Tuesday night. Otay, Paradise and Mountain fire boundaries are from Monday.
 Fire agencies have often referred to the fire that started in Val Verde as the Verdale fire.

Damage
 Gov. Gray Davis estimated the damage to top \$2 billion. More than 2,000 homes have been destroyed and 50,000 are still threatened.

Weather
 ■ Cooler temperatures and onshore winds forecast for today should help firefighting.
 ■ Westerly winds should increase humidity and help dissipate some of the smoky conditions throughout the Southland.

Key developments

Piru fire
 ■ The 30,570-acre blaze scaled Sespe Creek in Ventura County, threatening a condor sanctuary. Heavy equipment is not allowed in wilderness areas and no hand crews were available.
 ■ Crews were lighting backfires behind orchards in Fillmore along Grand Avenue to try to stop the fire's advance.

Simi fire
 ■ The fire edged toward Chatsworth, but more than 1,100 firefighters battled it to a standstill.
 ■ Hundreds of people were evacuated Monday, but no homes were lost overnight.

Cedar fire
 ■ The largest fire in the state had a 45,000-acre front and few resources to fight it.
 ■ Exhausted fire crews were pulled back with no backup resources in sight. The fire was advancing toward Julian.
 ■ Flights got back to normal as FAA workers were able to reclaim their posts in Miramar, near San Diego. The fire forced their evacuation on Sunday.

Grand Prix/Old/Padua fire
 ■ About 80,000 full-time residents have been evacuated from the mountains since Saturday.

At a glance

Fire	Coverage (in acres)	Percent contained	Projected contained	Fatalities	Structures lost	Firefighters present	Engines present	Helicopters present	Cost (in millions)
Piru	30,570	17	Unknown	0	3	1,229	71	6	\$1.1
Simi/Val Verde	103,650	25/95	Unknown	0	81	1,792	245	9	\$4.4
Grand Prix/Old/Padua	102,012	50/10/15	Unknown	4	625	4,195	500	25	\$15.1
Mountain	9,742+	75	Tuesday	0	31	697	54	6	\$0.5
Roblar	8,592	100	—	0	0	68	4	2	\$5.4
Paradise	40,000	15	Saturday	2	211	1,336	0	2	\$1.6
Cedar	206,664	0	Nov. 5	10	1,047	2,300	25	4	\$2.5
Otay	46,291	100	—	0	6	248	28	0	\$2.0

Sources: National Interagency Fire Center, U.S. Forest Service, GDT, USGS, University of Maryland, ESRI, Associated Press, Times reports
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