MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Sheriff-Coroner

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE/TIME: **09/18/26 at 7:30 AM**

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Shelter in Place Order Issued Due to Fire at Battery Plant Facility

LOCATION: **7301 Highway 1, Moss Landing, California**

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SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER – BATTERY FACILITY FIRE

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office has issued a **SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER** for the area within 1/3 of a mile from 7301 Highway 1 due to a fire at the battery energy storage facility.

Residents in the affected area should **GO INDOORS IMMEDIATELY and remain inside until further notice.**

- Close all windows and doors.
- Turn off heating, air conditioning, fans, and other systems that bring outside air indoors.
- Keep people and pets inside.
- Avoid the area and do not go outside to observe the fire or smoke.
- If you are driving in the affected area, leave the area if you can safely do so.
- Follow instructions from emergency personnel.

This Shelter in Place Order is being issued as a precaution due to smoke and potential hazardous materials associated with the fire.

Emergency personnel are actively responding and conditions are being m
**shelter location until officials announce that the Shelter in Place Orde
additional instructions.**

See affected zones: AlertMRY.org/Map

More information: AlertMRY.org/alerts

Reporting Timeline

6:00 AM – Fire starts

6:15 AM – Employee notices fire

6:19 AM – Logged by CA Highway Patrol

75 minutes later – Shelter in place issued