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Fire in the Salina Cruz Refinery Extinguished

2 minutes

At 3:30 this morning, the fire of the Antonio Dovalí Jaime Refinery in Salina Cruz, Oaxaca was completely extinguished. Pemex Firefighting Staff gradually put out the fire in the Pump House after extinguishing the western and southern sides of the affected area yesterday- However, the dynamic sprinkler equipment continues operating during the cooling-down process, covering the affected area with water to prevent the fire from spreading once more.

The fire started on Wednesday, as a consequence of the torrential rain caused by tropical storm Calvin. Various areas of the refinery were flooded, which caused the overflow of water with crude petrol residue from the container sumps of the storage tanks.

In this last phase of the firefighting efforts that were made yesterday and this morning, there were no accidents to regret and all workers participating in them reported to their work stations. Once the conditions of the facilities are controlled, damages will be assessed to determine the actions that are to follow to restart operations. Since yesterday, personnel of the Safety, Energy and Environment Agency (ASEA) has been present at the refinery to carry out verification work on the site of the fire, with Pemex' full cooperation in these tasks.

Petróleos Mexicanos, coordinating with the Government of the State of Oaxaca and the Salina Cruz Council, as well as with the Army and the Navy, has provided support to the population during this emergency.

Pemex reaffirms that various measures have been set in place to continue the fuel supply in the refinery's area of influence.





