Firefighters in Napa County are gaining ground on a wind-whipped vegetation fire.

As of 6 p.m. Friday evening, it's 70 percent contained. So far, 300 acres have burned. The high winds were making containing the fire difficult to fight.
Homes in the Napa area were being threatened by a wind-whipped grass fire that has burned at least 300 acres. (Published Friday, Nov 22, 2013)

It's happening near Soda Canyon Road and Loma Vista Drive, not far from Silverado Trail.

All evacuations and road closures have been lifted, the Napa County Sheriff's Office announced Friday evening.

Mandatory evacuations were in place for about 50 people living on Loma Vista, Shady Oaks and Ridge drives. An emergency shelter was opened at Napa High School.

The fire started around 11 p.m. Thursday night, and firefighters say, the flames spread quickly.

More than 200 firefighters were on scene. Strong wind gusts were reported throughout the region, reaching as high as 55 mph in some areas.

No word yet on any injuries or if any homes have been destroyed.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.
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