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NASA in the News

NASA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service have partnered to obtain imagery of wildfires in response to requests from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, and the National Interagency Fire Center. A remotely piloted aircraft carrying a NASA sensor flew over much of California in early July, gathering information that will be used to help fight more than 300 wildfires burning within the state. The flights by

NASA's unmanned Ikhana aircraft are using a sophisticated Autonomous Modular Scanner developed at Ames Research Center. Read press releases and view the images returned by Ikhana at <http://www.nasa.gov/fires>.

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