

WHITMORE FIRE UPDATE

NORTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 12

Incident Commander: Bobby Shindelar

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Northwest Incident Management Team 12 would like to thank the Colville Confederated Tribes for hosting and housing the Team at the Nespelem Community Center twice this summer! Today is the final day for NW IMT 12 on the Whitmore Fire, and management of the fire will be turned over to the Mount Tolman Fire Center at 6 PM tonight. This is the final Daily Fire Update for the Whitmore Fire.

The Whitmore Fire is located on the Colville Reservation south of Omak Lake and west of Nespelem, WA. The Incident Command Post is closed to all but essential personnel to help ensure the health and safety of community members and firefighters.

It will be slightly warmer today, with temperatures of 78 to 85 degrees and northerly winds at 8 to 10 miles per hour.

Operations

Yesterday, firefighters patrolling the northeastern fire perimeter located and extinguished a few isolated heat sources near the fireline. Water tenders drove throughout the fire area, watering the dusty roads to improve conditions.

Today, fire crews are continuing their mop-up and patrol work on the northeastern portion of the fire. Water tenders will continue to water roads around the fire area. Excess fire equipment, hoses, and litter is being collected and removed from control lines, roads, and staging areas today. Numerous resources will be leaving the fire today to rest and refurbish equipment and will be reassigned to other incidents across the region.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs, Mount Tolman Fire Center will take command this evening. Firefighters and equipment will remain on the Whitmore Fire, continuing patrol and mop-up.

Evacuations

All evacuations on the Whitmore Fire were removed at 8 PM Wednesday evening.

Road Closures

Coyote Creek Road remains closed.



SIZE: 58,280 acres

CONTAINMENT: 75%

PERSONNEL: 278

CAUSE: Lightning

RESOURCES:

Hand Crews: 5

Engines: 20

Dozers: 1

Water Tenders: 17

Helicopters: 1

Fixed Wing: 1

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Air quality information:

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