



Thor Fire Update

Containment: 0%	Cause: lightning	Size: approx. 122 acres	Location: east of Sullivan Lake	Personnel Assigned: 26
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Newport, Wash., (August 20, 2022) —

The Thor Fire experienced minimal growth yesterday due to increased humidity and a slight drop in temperature. Creeping and smoldering behavior was observed in ground fuels, and occasional single tree torching during the warmest part of the day. The fire is burning in very steep and rugged terrain with thick dead and down timber litter on the ground, making direct access to the fire dangerous for firefighters.

Crews and heavy equipment continue to improve roadways and other natural barriers as indirect containment line in anticipation of the challenge of stronger winds predicted later this weekend. A full-suppression strategy is being utilized to contain the Thor Fire.

Due to the location of the fire and heavy timber burning in the interior of the fire, smoke may be visible as far south as Cusick and east to Priest Lake. For an interactive air quality map and predicted smoke conditions, visit <https://fire.airnow.gov/>.

There are currently no fire restrictions or campground closures on the Colville National Forest. NFS Road 2200300, beginning approximately 5 miles East on Sullivan Creek Rd and 5 miles West of Gypsy Meadows is closed to the public. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/colville/alerts-notice>

For any additional questions about the Thor Fire, please contact Public Information Officer Liv Stecker (509) 720-7418. For more fire information, follow our Inciweb page, <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8343/>, Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/colvillenf/> and Twitter at https://twitter.com/Colville_NF.



Thor Fire from Pass Creek Road 08.18.22