

Colville National Forest, Region 6

Thor Fire Update

	Containment: 0%	Cause: lightning	Size: approx. acres 127	Location: East of Sullivan Lake	Personnel Assigned: 24
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Newport, Wash., (August 21, 2022) -

Rainfall and lower temperatures across the area moderated fire behavior and slowed growth of the Thor Fire yesterday. Creeping and smoldering continues in the heavy dead and down timber litter on the ground. At this time the fire poses no threat to containment lines, natural resources or other values at risk.

Favorable weather conditions have allowed crews and heavy equipment more time to continue improving roadways to use as containment line, removing brush and other fuels from along the Forest Service 2200300 road to widen it for use as a fire break. This work may continue on to Pass Creek Road into next week and travelers should be aware that heavy equipment and fire traffic will be in the area along Sullivan Creek Road and Pass Creek Road. Please watch for crews on foot and vehicles and be prepared for the potential of reduced visibility on roadways from smoke and dust where firefighters are working.

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 <u>https://fire.airnow.gov/</u>.

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. <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/colville/alerts-notices</u>

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, <u>https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8343/</u>, Facebook, <u>https://www.facebook.com/colvillenf/</u> and Twitter at https://twitter.com/Colville_NF.