Cedar Creek Fire

August 22, 2022 Daily Update – 10:00 AM





Cedar Creek Fire Quick Facts

Size: 7,012 acres
Contained: 0%

Start Date: August 1, 2022

Location: 15 miles E of

Oakridge, OR

Cause: Lightning

Total personnel: 788

Resources:17 engines

16 crews

41 heavy equipment

6 helicopters

Current Situation: Cedar Creek Fire was active within the perimeter Sunday afternoon due to the higher-than-normal temperature and lower relative humidity. Helicopters were busy most of the day cooling hot spots with water drops as smoke columns could be seen across Waldo Lake and Hills Creek Reservoir. Careful aerial firing within Waldo Lake Wilderness continued in the unburned area between the eastern tip of the fire and the lake in preparation for hand crew operations. Night crews continued firing operations north on Black Creek Road. Heavy equipment crews continued improving roads and trails to the south and west of the fire as alternate lines.

Today's Activities: Today handcrews will assess a safe location to establish a spike camp for firefighters and equipment on the east side of the fire along the western edge of Waldo Lake within the Waldo Lake Wilderness. Once located, they will establish camp and use helicopters to sling in pumps and water hoses and personal protective gear to establish a fireline line south toward Edith Creek using tactics that suppress the fire close to the fire's edge with minimal impact to the wilderness. Tactics will include utilizing small pumps and hoses and local water sources along with some handline for the suppression efforts. Heavy equipment crews continue improving primary and secondary firelines on roads throughout the fire area. Fireline construction along Forest Roads 1928 and further south to State Highway 58 will continue for several days. Firecrews and helicopters continue suppression on the 5-acre Slapjack fire with fireline construction and a small access road.

Huckleberry Flats OHV Park is closed to provide access for firefighters and equipment working within the area.

Virtual Community Meeting: A virtual community meeting is planned for **Tuesday August 23rd at 7:00pm** and will be streamed live on the Cedar Creek Fire Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/CedarCreekFire2022

Evacuations: Currently, there are no evacuations in place.

Weather: Fire activity may pick up in the afternoon with low relative humidity anticipated to be 30-35% in the afternoon and possible wind gusts from the west up to 15 mph.

Closures: An <u>Area Closure</u> is in place for the Cedar Creek Fire. This includes all trailheads and dispersed camping west and north of Waldo Lake. The lake itself, campgrounds, and trails (including the PCT) on the east side remain open. A <u>Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR)</u> is in place.

Restrictions: <u>Fire restrictions</u> are in place on the Willamette National Forest with the exception of the Three Sisters, Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Waldo Lake, and Diamond Peak Wilderness areas.

Smoke: Smoke Forecast Outlooks are available at https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook.

Fire Information: Office Hours: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Phone: 541-201-2335 | Email: 2022.cedarcreek@firenet.gov

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