Crockets Knob Fire Update

NORTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 12 Incident Commanders: Jeff Dimke and Bobby Shindelar August 28, 2022

Northwest Incident Management Team 12 assumed command of Crockets Knob Fire as of 7:00 AM this morning.

Weather: A cold front moving through the area has contributed to gusty winds across the fire, fueling increased fire behavior. Temperatures will be slightly lower through Sunday night, but a warming and drying trend is predicted beginning Monday.

Operations: Yesterday, firefighters continued work along the southern edge of the fire near Big Boulder Creek, as well as removing brush and fuels along FSR 45. Work will continue to strengthen containment lines ahead of an expected warming and drying trend next week that could increase fire activity. Type 1 interagency "hotshot" crews have been engaged in constructing line in steep and rugged terrain along the eastern edge of the fire. Due to difficult access, challenging terrain and long extraction times, the Incident Management Team and local fire managers are working to ensure that adequate emergency medical resources are located strategically around the fire to respond to any potential firefighter injuries or accidents. Today, crews and heavy equipment will be working to improve road systems on the western flank as containment line as well as scouting roadless areas for natural features to improve as fireline.

Closures: Road, trail, campground, and area closures are in effect. An area closure is in effect starting at the junction of County Road 20 and FSR 45, east to Sunshine Guard Station, north on FSR 2000909 to the junction at FSR 4550, northeast on FSR 4555, then northeast to Sunrise Butte Trail #255, northeast to the junction with Princess Trail #251, east to Blue Mountain Trail #6141, northwest to FSR 45, and back south to the junction of County Road 20. All boundary roads and trails will be closed EXCEPT County Road 20 from the junction of FSR 45 to the junction of FSR 2000909 at Sunshine Guard Station. For full area closure information and map, please visit https://www.fs.usda.gov/malheur

Smoke may be visible to nearby communities and Forest visitors. Smoke and air quality impacts within the state can be monitored by visiting: http://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com



Ouick Facts:

SIZE: 1447 Acres

CONTAINMENT: 0%

CAUSE: Lightning

PERSONNEL: 258

LOCATION: 19 miles north of

Prairie City

FIRE INFORMATION:

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FACEBOOK:

https://www.facebook.com/CrocketsKnobFire

INCIWEB:

https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8355/

TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTION

There is a Temporary Flight Restriction over the Crockets Knob Fire area. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone.