Crockets Knob Fire Update

NORTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 12 Incident Commanders: Jeff Dimke and Bobby Shindelar August 30, 2022

A community meeting will be livestreamed on Facebook tonight at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, August 30th.

https://www.facebook.com/CrocketsKnobFire

Weather: Tuesday and Wednesday will bring higher temperatures and lower fuel moisture to the fire area, along with gusty and erratic winds from a cold front moving into the area. These conditions could lead to an increase in fire behavior over the next few days.

Operations: Firefighters are utilizing a full suppression strategy to contain the Crockets Knob Fire. Yesterday work continued along FSR 45, using masticators and heavy equipment to thin brush and remove dead and down timber. Crews continue work in roadless areas along the north and east edges to construct handline, utilizing terrain features to aid in containment. The Structure Group is staffed with engines that are working primarily on the southern edge of the fire to identify any potential future structure and infrastructure protection needs, based on predicted weather events, fuel types and terrain that could contribute to fire growth.

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



Quick Facts:

SIZE: 1,859 Acres

CONTAINMENT: 0%

CAUSE: Lightning

PERSONNEL: 438

LOCATION: 19 miles north of Prairie City

FIRE INFORMATION: 541-625-0892

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FACEBOOK:

https://www.facebook.c om/CrocketsKnobFire

INCIWEB:

https://inciweb.nwcg.g ov/incident/8355/

TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTION

There is a Temporary Flight Restriction over the Crockets Knob Fire area. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone - if you fly, we can't.