

Cedar Creek Fire

September 2, 2022
Daily Update – 10:00 AM



Cedar Creek Fire Quick Facts

Size: 9,199 acres

Contained: 12%

Start Date: August 1, 2022

Location: 15 miles E of
Oakridge, OR

Cause: Lightning

Total personnel: 662

Resources: 10 engines

8 crews

25 heavy equipment

8 helicopters

Current Situation: Please be aware of fire traffic and holiday traffic over the Labor Day Weekend. Drive slowly and do not impede fire traffic. Yesterday, the inversion layer over the fire did not lift. The inversion layer trapped airflow causing smoke to stay in the area. The fire continues to be active with most activity in the northeast section. There was a small spot fire across the southeast line of the fire. Crews were able to respond and work on extinguishing it with the help of helicopter water drops. Waldo Fire Lookout was successfully checked on and rewrapped with protective material (structure wrap) as a part of point protection strategy on the northern area of the fire. Point protection means to protect a significant building or specific area by putting fireline around or using structure wrap should fire burn towards it.

Resource availability and weather over the course of this fire have allowed fire managers to execute successful suppression strategies like the helicopters applying fire-retardant east of Edith Creek drainage, connecting firelines, and preparing alternate, and contingency lines. Being able to execute these strategies means fire managers are positioned to continue suppression efforts when conditions create changes to fire behavior.

Today's Activities: On the Koch Mountain and Waldo Lake side of the fire, crews are working on mopping up by extinguishing hot spots with water and dirt, while also securing their line by removing impeding vegetation. They will continue to work on the small spot fire by digging handline around it and may have assistance from helicopter water drops if visibility allows. On the northeast section of the fire, fire managers are considering natural features like drainages and rocky slopes to slow fire growth. Operations personnel are focused on developing tactics and strategies that have the greatest chance for success while providing for the safety of firefighters and communities.

Evacuations: Lane County Sheriff's Office has initiated a Level 1, Be Ready Evacuation, for **North Waldo Campground, Islet Campground, and Charlton Lake Trail Head**. Level 1, means to take personal responsibility to be ready for a wildfire, become familiar with area roads, including exit routes from your immediate area, and stay informed of the current situation. Pay attention to Lane County Sheriff's Office for updates.

Weather: Hot, and dry conditions with temperatures in the upper 90s. Humidity below 20%.

Closures: An expanded [Area Closure](#) is in place as of August 23rd for the Cedar Creek Fire. This includes all trailheads and dispersed camping west and north of Waldo Lake. The lake, campgrounds, and trails (including the PCT) on the east side remain open. A [Temporary Flight Restriction \(TFR\)](#) is in place.

Restrictions: [Fire restrictions](#) 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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