Cedar Creek Fire October 6, 2022 Daily Update 8:30 AM

## **Cedar Creek Fire Quick Facts**

Size: 120,926 acres Contained: 39% Start Date: August 1, 2022 Origin: 15 miles east of Oakridge, OR Cause: Lightning Total personnel: 646 **Resources**: 14 engines; 16 crews; 8 heavy equipment; 5 helicopters

## **Operations:**

With another east wind event today, operations have focused on securing control lines and protecting surrounding communities. The incident command team will continue to build security across the Cedar Creek Fire; however, emphasis will shift to suppression repair. Firefighters are working on grading, hauling debris, cleaning ditches and culverts, identifying hazards and masticating along roadways throughout the Cedar Creek Fire. Grading and repair along Forest Service 24 is almost complete and will serve an important role for improved access for firefighters. Resource Advisors (READs) are working alongside firefighters to help identify potential impacts and benefits of fire operations on natural and cultural resources. Safety concerns continue to complicate suppression tactics as firefighters access areas where active fire has spread, and trees have been compromised. Repair in the interior will make it possible to lift closures and allow the public to return safely.

**Weather:** Increased windspeeds and low humidity are predicted to occur Wednesday night through Thursday morning. Firefighters will continue to monitor the fireline during that east wind event. Higher temperatures and lower humidity will contribute to an elevated risk in fire behavior but don't present a significant concern. Smoke impacts will persist in the area throughout the morning with easterly winds in the morning and westerly winds in the afternoon.

**Closures:** The Deschutes National Forest and Willamette National Forest both have closures and fire restrictions in effect. Some of these closures will remain in effect until areas that have been heavily impacted by the fire are surveyed for safety hazards. Please respect Forest closures for firefighter and public safety. Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for a corporation or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. 16 USC § 551 and 18 U.S.C §§ 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581. Please visit <u>Willamette National Forest</u> and <u>Deschutes National Forest</u> for the most recent closure orders and maps. A <u>Temporary Flight Restriction</u> (TFR) is in place. The use of drones is prohibited in the fire area, please make it safe for our firefighters to use aircraft on the fire. Pacific Crest Trail hikers should visit <u>pcta.org</u> for current information.

**Smoke**: For current conditions, see <u>Fire.airnow.gov</u>, <u>oakridgeair.org</u>, and <u>LRAPA - Today's Current Air</u> <u>Quality</u>. Smoke Forecast Outlooks are available at <u>https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook</u>.

**Evacuations:** An updated map of the evacuation areas is available at <u>www.LaneCountyOR.gov/CedarCreek</u>. Sign-up for emergency mobile alerts by going to <u>oralert.gov</u>. Please check with <u>Lane County Sheriff's Office</u> at 541-682-4150 and <u>Deschutes County Sheriff's Office</u> at 541-693-6911 for updates and changes.

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