

Cedar Creek Fire

October 14, 2022

Daily Fire Update



Cedar Creek Fire Quick Facts

Size: 123,498 acres

Containment: 40%

Total personnel: 673

Origin: 15 miles E of Oakridge, OR

Cause: Lightning

Start Date: August 1, 2022

Resources: 21 engines;

14 crews; 7 helicopters;

9 heavy equipment

Weather: High pressure remains in place over the fire area today, continuing a warming and drying trend with temperatures in the mid 70-80s, 10-20 degrees above seasonal averages. As strong inversion persists smoke will continue in the valleys in the morning and lift smoke into the fire area in the afternoon. Winds will be light and variable. In the morning winds will be out of the southeast and in the afternoon out of the northwest and northeast..

Operations: Elevated fire weather conditions persist as firefighters patrol the fire area searching for and extinguishing remaining heat sources near containment lines. Yesterday, fire activity increased as numerous interior pockets of unburned fuel responded to record temperatures for the season and gusty winds. This uptick in activity in the interior of the fire produced a visible smoke column and contributed to smoky conditions in communities around the fire area.

Fire crews continue to secure the “sloper” areas near Lucas Lake and are preparing the 500 Road as a containment line. Fire hose around the perimeter of these “sloper” fires is being utilized to add depth to these containment lines.

On the northern portion of the fire, fire crews are repairing Forest Service Roads 305, 310 and 750 and are assessing necessary repairs to Forest Service Road 1944. On the western fire perimeter, firefighters are continuing to chip woody debris left over from fire suppression and are completing road repairs. On the eastern fire edge, debris chipping operations continue near Cultus Lake and firefighters will be grading Forest Service Road 4668 to return it to a pre-fire condition.

Suppression repairs on the Big Swamp and Potter Fires are beginning to wind down as firefighters are completing water bars and hauling out materials.

Closures: There are closures in effect on the Deschutes National Forest and Willamette National Forest. These closures will remain in place until areas impacted by the fire are surveyed for safety risks and fire crews are able to mitigate these hazards. Please respect Forest closures for firefighter and public safety. Please visit [Willamette National Forest](#) and [Deschutes National Forest](#) for the most recent closure orders and maps. Pacific Crest Trail hikers should visit [pcta.org](#) for current information. There is a [Temporary Flight Restriction](#) over the Cedar Creek Fire area. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone - if you fly, we can't.

Smoke: Air quality conditions due to smoke are expected to be Good to Hazardous within the forecast area. Continued Unhealthy to Hazardous conditions persist in Oakridge. Eugene will see Moderate air quality this morning with decreasing smoke this afternoon. Crescent Lake will have Good to Moderate air quality today. Continued regional haze and smoke is predicted for southern Oregon. Smoke impacts will be heavily dependent on fire activity. For current conditions, see [Fire.airnow.gov](#), [oakridgeair.org](#), and [LRAPA - Today's Current Air Quality](#). Smoke Forecast Outlooks are available at <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook>.

Evacuations: A map of the evacuation area is available at www.LaneCountyOR.gov/CedarCreek. Sign-up for emergency mobile alerts by going to [oralert.gov](#). Please check with [Lane County Sheriff's Office](#) at 541-682-4150 and [Deschutes County Sheriff's Office](#) at 541-693-6911 for updates and changes.

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