

## Type 3 Incident Management Organization

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### Incident Statistics

Size:	5,765 acres
Containment:	2 %
Start Date:	August 9, 2022
Cause:	Lightning
Total Personnel:	161
Resources:	Crews: 2   Aircraft: 5 Engines: 9   Dozer: 1 Water Tenders: 4

**Forest Closures:** A road and trail closure within the Gifford National Forest is in place. Closure order:

<https://bit.ly/GoatRocksClosureOrder>

Closure map:

<https://bit.ly/GoatRocksFireClosureMap>

### \*What does "Level 2" mean?

Level 2 (Be Set) means that residents in that area should be ready to leave at a moment's notice by having your important personal items packed and ready in your vehicle. If you have difficulties evacuating, leave now. For additional evacuation information or to receive alerts from Lewis County in the case of an emergency, sign up at <https://bit.ly/LewisCountyAlerts>. Please note that enrollment in these alerts is not always immediate.

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## Goat Rocks Fire Update

Monday October 17, 2022



**EVACUATION LEVEL 2 – BE SET!** All areas north of Butter Creek are at Level 2\* (Be Set) evacuation. This includes Upper and Lower Timberline, Goat Rocks, River Dance, and parts of High Valley. This is precautionary due to Goat Rocks Fire behavior. Packwood proper is not under evacuation status at this time. See accompanying Public Information map.

Monitor <https://bit.ly/LewisCountyAlerts> or <https://bit.ly/LewisCountyEMFB> for changes.

**Yesterday:** Gusty winds and very low relative humidity allowed the Goat Rocks Fire to burn actively on Sunday. Patrols increased in residential areas. Helicopters dropped water on the western tip of the fire and kept it from spreading further down Coal Creek drainage. A dozer and fire crews worked to construct line and cool the fire in this area. The fire continued to spread into the upper Lake Creek drainage near Three Peaks. Helicopters dropped water to slow the fire's progress, and the fire did not make any major runs. To the north, fingers of fire reached Forest Road 46, where engine crews were able to stop their growth.

**Today:** Fire is expected to burn actively again today. Patrols will be ongoing in residential neighborhoods. Fire resources will continue to focus on stopping fire from spreading further west in Coal Creek drainage. In the upper Lake Creek drainage, fire will likely spread toward the bottom of the drainage. Short uphill runs are expected where burning debris rolls downhill. Helicopters will drop water to slow fire spread as needed.

On the north edge of the fire, engine crews will cool the fire as it reaches Forest Road 46, to help prevent it from crossing north of the road. Removal of woody debris along Forest Road 46 is expected to be completed today or tomorrow.

**Weather:** Winds are expected to be lighter today, with the inversion lasting into the afternoon. Humidity levels stayed low last night and will drop to around 25% this afternoon before a westerly wind shift brings slightly higher humidity. High temperatures will be in the 70s. Warm, dry weather is expected the next few days before a cold front is predicted to bring showers late this week.



A view of Goat Rocks Fire from Thompson Road. The smoke to the right is from fire near Three Peaks. Smoke on the left is from the lower end of Coal Creek drainage.