

Bedrock and Salmon Fires

August 9, 2023

Daily Fire Update



Bedrock Fire Quick Facts

Size: 14,264 acres
Containment: 5%
Total personnel: 809

Origin: Willamette National Forest
Cause: Under Investigation
Start Date: July 22, 2023

Resources: 38 engines;
15 crews; *9 helicopters;
14 dozers, 28 water tenders

Salmon Fire Quick Facts

Size: 102 acres
Containment: 0%
Total personnel: 160

Origin: Willamette National Forest
Cause: Under Investigation
Start Date: August 6, 2023

Resources: 7 engines;
6 crews; 1 water tender;
*helicopters shared

Community Meeting: There will be a virtual community meeting tonight at 6 PM on the Bedrock Fire Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BedrockFire2023/>. Questions about the Salmon and Bedrock Fires can be submitted via Facebook prior to the meeting on the event page.

Bedrock Fire: Firefighters on the north end of the fire near Pernot Mountain began tactical firing operations late yesterday to strengthen and add depth to control lines. Fire crews patrolled these burnout areas overnight, holding and improving lines where needed. Helicopters from the Bedrock Fire flew on the Bedrock, Salmon, Lookout, and Wiley Fires yesterday, cooling the fires with water bucket drops.

Salmon Fire: Firefighters on the ground supported by aviation made good progress yesterday on the Salmon Fire. There were two "sloper" areas on the eastern and western flanks of the fire yesterday. Firefighters quickly began to construct firelines around these new areas of fire growth. Fire crews will be working today to construct hoselays around the fire perimeter to secure and mop up the fire.

Evacuations: The Lane County Sheriff's Office issued a Level 1 "Be Ready" evacuation notice Monday morning for areas north and east of Oakridge because of the Salmon Fire. Please heed all evacuation notices and orders. A searchable evacuation map with fire perimeters for both fires is available at <https://lcgisorg.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=32e4cd9a5c3348cd81254e6fa394e097>. This online map has a ruler tool so the distance from the fires to various towns can be measured.

Smoke: Smoke from the Salmon, Bedrock, Lookout, and Wiley fires in the area will continue to impact air quality. Oakridge and east along Highway 58 is expected to have smoke in the morning until mid-afternoon up to unhealthy conditions until clearing later in the day. The McKenzie Highway corridor will likely have smoke at times with good to moderate conditions.

Weather: Overnight a weak cold front passed to the north of the Bedrock Fire area, bringing some clouds and slightly lower temperatures. Clouds will dissipate before noon, beginning a warming and drying trend. Winds will remain 3-8 miles per hour, with gusts in the afternoon up to 15 miles per hour.

Safety and Closures: The Willamette National Forest implemented the Bedrock Fire Emergency Area Closure on July 24, 2023 to ensure the safety of the public and personnel working on the fire. An emergency closure order for the Salmon Fire area is in place as of August 8. The closure maps for the Bedrock and Salmon Fires are available on InciWeb. There are [Temporary Flight Restrictions](#) over the Bedrock and Salmon Fire areas.

Inciweb Salmon: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orwif-salmon-fire>

Inciweb Bedrock: <https://inciweb.nwcf.gov/incident-information/orwif-bedrock-fire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BedrockFire2023/>

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