

Bedrock and Salmon Fires

August 11, 2023

Daily Fire Update



Bedrock Fire Quick Facts

Size: 15,178 acres
Containment: 10%
Total personnel: 1031

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

Resources: 44 engines;
23 crews; *9 helicopters;
12 dozers, 31 water tenders

Salmon Fire Quick Facts

Size: 135 acres
Containment: 10%
Total personnel: 136

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

Resources: 6 engines;
4 crews; 1 water tender;
1 dozer; *aircraft shared

Bedrock Fire: Heavy helicopters were active on the north end of the fire yesterday, flying water buckets to cool and slow fire growth. Firefighters on the northwestern portion of the fire are continuing to prepare control lines for burnout operations to secure these lines and are conducting these burnouts as weather conditions allow. Yesterday there was a visible smoke column from these burnout operations. There will continue to be visible smoke from the fire in the coming days as fire crews work along control lines, burning portions of line, then securing, tying together, and holding these lines as they add depth and strengthen containment lines around the northern fire perimeter. Firefighters on the southern fire perimeter are continuing to mop up where needed and are patrolling to identify and extinguish any remaining hot spots near control lines. Initial Attack resources have been identified and are ready to rapidly shift assignments if necessary to assist with new fire starts in the area.

Salmon Fire: Firefighters made excellent progress strengthening firelines and installing hoselays around the fire yesterday. This fire is smoldering and creeping along the ground and continues to remain within established control lines. Today fire crews will continue to secure and mop up around the fire perimeter and mitigate any roll out potential from burning fuels on the steep slopes.

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: Smoky conditions are predicted for Oakridge and eastward on Highway 58, peaking to unhealthy for sensitive groups midday before clearing this evening. Most areas will have good to moderate air quality today. Smoke in La Pine may reach unhealthy levels, improving to moderate this afternoon.

Weather: High pressure building through this weekend will lead to warmer temperatures and drier conditions. Predicted high temperatures today will be 83-89 degrees at lower elevations and 73-82 degrees on the ridgetops. West winds will be 4-7 mph this morning, gusting to 14 mph this afternoon.

Safety and Closures: The Willamette National Forest implemented the Bedrock Fire Emergency Area Closure on July 24 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. Residential electrical outages can be reported to Lane Electric at 541-484-1151.

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

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

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

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