



Camp Creek Fire

Update for: Friday, September 8, 2023



Fire Size:

1,940 acres

Containment: 17%

Resources:

Helicopters: 4

Scooper Aircrafts: 2

Air Attack Platforms: 2

Unmanned Aircraft Systems: 2

Total Personnel: 593

Location:

1.5 miles south of Bull Run Reservoir #1 near the junction of Forest Road 1210 and 12.

Start Date:

August 24, 2023

Cause: Naturally-Caused, Lightning

Management:

Great Basin Incident Management Team 1

Information Sources:

InciWeb:

<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/oranhf-camp-creek-fire>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/campcreekfire>

Twitter: @MtHoodNF

Flickr Photo Library:

<https://www.flickr.com/people/199027957@N07/>

Information Phone Line:

503-427-8324 (8 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

Email:

2023.campcreek@firenet.gov

Weather and Fire Behavior:

Warm and dry conditions with clear skies will continue through the weekend, which will support increased fire activity. Temperatures are forecasted in the mid-70s with light wind today. Strong east winds are not anticipated.

Fire spread will depend on the rate of drying in fuels such as duff, Douglas fir, western hemlock, etc. Fuels are dry this time of year as well as drought stressed. Current fire behavior persists with smoldering and creeping with limited spread.

Operations:

Fire managers use a variety of strategies to manage fire safely, effectively, and cost efficiently. They evaluate and adjust their actions on a daily basis. Forest Service Roads 12 and 14 are currently established as control lines. Based on recent weather patterns and fire behavior trends, crews are directly engaging with the fire by building several machine and hand lines closer to the fire's edge. This action limits fire spread leading to fire containment. They are also looking for opportunities to initiate firing operations, particularly in the unburned pocket adjacent to Road 12.

In some areas, there are no good direct options for engagement. This is the case for the southeastern edge where the drainage is steep, and full of hazard trees. Crews are evaluating this edge daily. Thus far, they have opened several old logging roads and removed vegetation using masticators.

We continue to remove vegetation along established control lines. Removing this fuel load off the fire area is the next logical step in operations.

Crews are removing some cut trees from the Bull Run area by semi-trailers and dump trucks. These trees were cut to increase firefighter safety and reduce potential fuel for this and future fires. Trucks will be traveling along Forest Service Road 14 to the East Barlow Trail Road, and then onto Highway 26. Log trucks will be accompanied by pilot cars, both ahead and behind for added public safety. Residents who use these routes should be cautious while this added traffic is present.

Fire information officers will be stationed at the Safeway in Sandy, OR from 1 – 7 p.m. today to provide updates and answer any questions, followed by the Hoodland Thriftway in Welches, OR tomorrow from 1 – 7 p.m.

Additional Information:

Current smoke outlook: <https://outlooks.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlook/2c7a8f9b>.

Closures and Evacuations:

Barlow Wayside Park and the Sandy Ridge Recreation Site are temporarily closed due to fire activity. Clackamas County residents can sign up at <https://www.clackamas.us/dm/publicalerts> to receive emergency alerts via email, phone, or text.

Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR):

A TFR is issued over the fire area. It is illegal for the public to fly drones over or near wildfires because of the potential for accidents and disruption of suppression operations. Regardless of the fire, aircraft is not permitted to fly over the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit.

