



# HAPPY CAMP COMPLEX

## INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 9-5-2023 Morning Update



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**Size:** 28,283 acres  
**Containment:** 55%  
**Total Personnel:** 1,283  
**People Evacuated:** 20  
**Structures Threatened:** 336  
**Structures Destroyed:** 9  
**Structures Damaged:** 2  
**Fatalities:** 1

### Fire Information:

**Public Phone:** (530) 330-5441  
**Media Phone:** (530) 330-5452  
**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily  
**Email:** [2023.happycampcomplex@firenet.gov](mailto:2023.happycampcomplex@firenet.gov)  
**Incident Website:** [inciweb.wildfire.gov](https://inciweb.wildfire.gov)

**Start Date & Time:** Wednesday, 8-16-2023, 10:27 a.m.  
**Cause:** Under Investigation  
**Location:** Multiple Locations Across the Forest  
**Suppression Strategy:** Full Suppression  
**Incident Commander:** Dustan Mueller, California  
Interagency Incident Management Team 5

**VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING RESCHEDULED:** The virtual public meeting previously scheduled for September 5<sup>th</sup> will now be held on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. Fire personnel will provide an operational overview of the fire situation. The meeting will be live-streamed on Facebook ([facebook.com/KlamathNF](https://facebook.com/KlamathNF)) and YouTube ([youtube.com/@ciimt5](https://youtube.com/@ciimt5)). A Facebook account is not necessary to view the meeting.

**WEATHER:** Warmer and drier weather with low humidities will continue today. As temperatures and fire activity increase this week, prevailing winds may bring smoke back into some areas.

**WEST SIDE OVERVIEW (ACRES/CONTAINMENT):** Elliot (12,107 acres, 51%), Ufish (5,056 acres, 33%), Hancock (1,720 acres, 0%)

Last night, firefighters on the Elliot and Ufish fires patrolled along State Route 96 and reported minimal fire activity. Today, crews on the Elliot Fire will work on the west side of the fire to continue improving fire line and assessing options for connecting the fire line to Dillon Creek. If conditions are favorable, firefighters on the Ufish Fire will conduct strategic firing operations to hold the fire east of State Route 96. More resources will be flown into the Hancock Fire today. Crews will begin to work on the east side of the fire with the mission of developing tactics that support the overall strategy.

**EAST SIDE OVERVIEW (ACRES/CONTAINMENT):** Head (6,940 acres, 91%), Block (0.1 acres, 100%), Townsend (81 acres, 100%), Den (294 acres, 100%), Scott (1,886 acres, 100%), Lake (199, acres, 100%)

Minimal fire activity was observed on the Head, Scott, and Lake fires last night. Suppression repair will continue today on the Head Fire. Firefighters will work to secure fire lines on the west side of the fire where they continue to find small pockets of heat near open line. The Scott Fire will be patrolled by crews and equipment no longer needed on the fire line is being removed and will be redeployed to other fires on the complex. The extraction of crews from the Lake Fire will begin today. The fire is 100% contained and mop up has been completed. The Lake Fire will be patrolled by air after firefighters have left the area.



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**EVACUATIONS:** View current Siskiyou County evacuation orders and warnings by visiting: <https://community.zonehaven.com>. Siskiyou County residents are encouraged to sign up for rapid emergency notifications using the CodeRED emergency alert system at: [www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/emergencyservices/page/codered-emergency-alert](http://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/emergencyservices/page/codered-emergency-alert)

**ROAD CONDITIONS:** No road work will be performed on State Route 96 through Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7 a.m., to allow for holiday travel. Please keep in mind that one-way traffic control will remain in place from 2.8 miles west of Dillon Road to 8.8 miles east of Dillion Road, as this remains in an active fire area for the Elliot Fire. Motorists can expect up to 30-minute delays in this area. County road closures will be listed on the Siskiyou County Public Works website: [www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/publicworks/page/closures-and-delays](http://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/publicworks/page/closures-and-delays)

**FOREST CLOSURES:** Two closure orders have been implemented: Happy Camp Complex Emergency Fire Closure No. 05-05-23-06 and No. 05-05-23-08. Additionally, fire restrictions remain in place to help minimize the chances of human-caused wildland fires. These restrictions prohibit campfires outside of designated improved recreation areas and wilderness. View closure orders, fire restrictions, and maps at: [www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notice](http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notice)

**TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTION (TFR):** A TFR has been established over the fire area. Flight restrictions include the use of drones. The operation of drones under the TFR is prohibited.

**PACIFIC CREST TRAIL:** The Pacific Crest Trail is now open between the Shelly Fork Junction and Seiad.

**AIR QUALITY:** For information regarding smoke impacts and what you can do to protect yourself, visit the Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District Fire and Smoke Information website at: [www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/airpollution/page/fire-and-smoke-information](http://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/airpollution/page/fire-and-smoke-information) or [AirNow.gov](http://AirNow.gov)

For additional information regarding the Happy Camp Complex, please go to the InciWeb page at: [Inciweb.wildfire.gov](http://Inciweb.wildfire.gov)