Brice Creek, Dinner, and Grizzly Fires NW IMT12 Branch I September 12, 2023 Daily Fire Update



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Total personnel: 301 | **Total Resources:** 7 engines; 7 crews; 1 helicopter; 6 heavy equipment; 2 water tenders

This evening at 8 PM NW IMT12 will be transitioning command of the Umpqua Fires to Type 2 NW IMT 6.

Brice Creek Fire: Size: 588 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 50%

Fire personnel kept busy on the Brice Creek Fire yesterday. Engine and crewmembers fired off a portion of the east flank of the fire, bringing fire down to the Forest Service Road (FSR) 22. An Unmanned Aerial System (UAS/drone) flew the fire, seeking heat with an infrared sensor. On the other flanks of the fire, firefighters patrolled the fire perimeter looking for any remaining heat sources close to containment lines. Today, firefighters will engage in small scale firing operations as needed, mopping up the fire's edge, and seeking heat sources using UAS data.

Dinner Fire: Size: 304 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 95%

The work on the Dinner Fire is winding down. Firefighters yesterday and today will patrol the fire perimeter, ensuring that all threats to the lines are mitigated. Wildland fire threats persist long after the flames have died down. Deep stump holes can hold fire smoldering for weeks or even months, fire weakened trees can fall over long after the fire has been extinguished, and damage to the landscape can affect water flow. Fire crews are committed to minimizing these threats as much as possible.

Grizzly Fire: Size: 111 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 0%

Yesterday, two heavy helicopters dropped water on flare-ups on the Grizzly Fire. Each helicopter dropped 6,000 gallons of water for a total of 12,000 gallons, mostly on the west side of the fire. Warming temperatures and lower relative humidity are expected later in the week, and fire management is working to minimize fire activity before that takes place. Today, firefighters will monitor the incident utilizing UAS and visual data to determine if more water drops are needed and were. The Grizzly Fire will have 47 personnel working on the fire for today's shift.

Weather: Temperatures will range from 65-75° with minimum relative humidity in the range of 35-50%. Winds will be out of the northwest-north 10-12 mph with gusts to 15 mph.

Evacuations: Lane County issued a <u>Level 2 Evacuation</u> (Be Set) for all private lands and mining claims in the Bohemia areas within the Cottage Grove Ranger District of the Umpqua National Forest.

Safety and Closures: There is a <u>forest closure</u> for portions of the Umpqua National Forest in response to fire activity in the area to protect public and wildland firefighter safety. There is a <u>Temporary Flight</u> <u>Restriction</u> over the fire area.

Brice Creek Fire Inciweb: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-brice-creek-fire</u> Dinner Fire Inciweb: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-dinner-fire</u> Grizzly Fire Inciweb: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-grizzly-fire</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/bricecreekdinnergrizzlyfires2023/</u> Fire Information: (541) 900-5862, 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM Email: 2023.dinner@firenet.gov