



Morgan Fire Quick Facts

Start Date: September 18, 2023

Cause: Under Investigation

Incident Commander:

Nate LeFevre

Northwest Team 7

Approx. Size: 2,035 ac.

Containment: 20%

Total Personnel: 303

Location: Lakeview, OR

Resources:

7 Crews

13 Engines

5 Dozers

3 Water Tenders

6 Helicopters

Morgan Fire Update: Friday, September 22, 2023

Fire Information line: 541-460-7602 8am-8pm

The Morgan Fire is burning in steep, forested terrain, approximately 21 miles northwest of Lakeview, Oregon and 8 miles north of Quartz Mountain, on both private and National Forest System lands. The fire was reported at 2:44 pm on September 18. Cause is under investigation.

Temporary Road Closure: On Thursday, the Fremont-Winema National Forest issued a temporary closure for public safety on a segment of Forest Service Road 2800, between its junction with Forest Road 3428 on the north and Forest Road 2800-016 on the south. A copy of the order and map is on the Forest website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema>

Yesterday: Substantial rainfall and temperatures in the mid-30s aided firefighters as they worked to establish and strengthen control lines around the fire. Crews on the northwest perimeter engaged in mop up operations, and felled burned trees that pose a hazard to firefighters and the fire line. Crews around much of the eastern flank patrolled and monitored established line. On the southern flank, firefighters continued working to find control features where the fire entered steeper and more challenging terrain. An overnight shift of engines and firefighters continued suppression efforts.

Today's Activities: Firefighters will take advantage of yesterday's cool wet weather to build fire line directly at the fire's edge. Operations are underway to strengthen containment lines ahead of windy weather predicted for early next week. Crews will look for opportunities to contain the southwest perimeter in the most steep and inaccessible part of the fire.

Weather: Today will be sunny with light wind and temperatures in the low 60s.

Evacuations: There is currently a Level 1 Evacuation. Evacuation maps are posted on the Morgan Fire Inciweb page and the Lake County, OR website: <https://www.lakecountyor.org/>

Be wildfire aware! Avoid activities that can cause an accidental spark.
<https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prevent-wildfire>.

Fire Information and Links

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/orfwf-morgan-fire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nwteam7>
<https://www.facebook.com/SCOFMPFIREINFO>
<https://www.facebook.com/R6FWNF>