





Morgan Fire Quick Facts

Start Date: September 18, 2023
Cause: Under Investigation
Incident Commander:
Nate LeFevre

Northwest Team 7

Approx. Size: 2,289 ac. Containment: 35% Total Personnel: 352 Location: Lakeview, OR

5 Dozers8 Water Tenders3 Helicopters

Resources:

11 Engines

8 Crews

Morgan Fire Update: Sunday, September 24, 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.

Temporary Road Closure: 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: Firefighters focused on preparing for significant winds forecast to begin early today. Fire line is complete around the entire perimeter, and crews worked to extinguish any source of heat within 50 feet of the perimeter. Additional hazard tree felling was a high priority to ensure that firefighters will have safe access and egress if high winds cause fire-weakened trees to fall across roads.

Today's Activities: Firefighters will deepen their mop up operations along the perimeter and continue felling hazard trees. An infrared detection unmanned aerial system (drone) is in use to find any hidden heat sources that could threaten fire lines in windy conditions.

Weather: Increasing winds beginning this morning from the south-southwest with gusts 25-35 mph over the fire area. There is a chance for light scattered spotty rain through today.

Evacuations: There is currently a Level 1 ("Get Ready") 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