





## 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: 50% Total Personnel: 343 Location: Lakeview, OR Resources: 8 Crews 10 Engines 6 Dozers 8 Water Tenders 3 Helicopters

## Morgan Fire Update: Tuesday, September 26, 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: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema">https://www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema</a>

**Yesterday:** Firefighters gained additional containment and established deeper mop-up around the fire. By midday, very strong winds over the fire required a temporary withdrawal from the fire line because of the risk of falling trees. By evening, all fire lines were still intact and no fire growth was observed. The infrared detection unmanned aerial platform (drone) was used overnight and did not detect any new areas of heat resulting from the strong, dry winds.

**Today's Activities:** Firefighters will continue searching for hot spots, improving fire line, mopping around the fire's edge and removing any fallen trees across roads. Crews and equipment will begin repairing dozer lines and removing felled trees.

**Weather:** Approximately .10 inches of rain fell overnight and this morning across the fire. Cooler and showery weather is expected throughout the week with moderate winds and higher humidity.

**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: <u>https://www.lakecountyor.org/</u>

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

**Fire Information and Links** Inciweb: <u>https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/orfwf-morgan-fire</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/nwteam7</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/SCOFMPFIREINFO</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/R6FWNF</u>