



Happy Camp Complex Daily Update

Wednesday, September 27, 2023



CALIFORNIA INTERAGENCY INCIDENT MANGEMENT TEAM 11

Information Phone Line:

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INCIDENT STATISTICS:

UFish Fire Size: **7,603 Acres**

Current Containment: **78%**

Elliot Fire Size: **13,649 Acres**

Current Containment: **70%**

Start Date: August 14, 2023

Cause: Lightning

Total personnel: 555

Informational Websites:

<https://bit.ly/FireInformationLinks>

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: <https://bit.ly/Siskiyouairquality> or <https://AirNow.gov>.

Fire Restrictions: Fire restrictions remain in place to help minimize the chances of human-caused wildland fires. These restrictions prohibit campfires outside of established recreation and wilderness areas. <https://bit.ly/KlamathNFAAlertsNotices>

Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR): There is a flight restriction over the fire area and drones are also prohibited.

Weather: Light showers are expected this morning in the fire area with clear skies this afternoon. The fire area received just under 2 inches of rain in the past 24 hours. Today winds are expected to come out of the west-southwest at 6-9 mph with gusts up to 20 mph on ridgetops.

FIRE BEHAVIOR: Little active fire behavior is expected. There are 5 small spots of isolated heat sources left across both fires. These heat sources are ground fuels such as smoldering stumps and continue to show up in the IR monitoring. Interior fuels continue to burn but are producing little smoke.

UFISH FIRE: 7,603 acres at 78% containment.

ELLIOT FIRE: 13,649 acres at 70% containment.

In general, both fire areas are looking good; neither fire has moved beyond it's perimeter in over a week. The main work now is hazard tree mitigation and suppression repair. After the roads dry sufficiently so that firefighters and equipment can travel on them without doing more damage, hazard tree mitigation will continue. The target areas are: Ufish Fire - the 17N10 Rd to the north and the Titus Creek Rd area that was used as a primary control line. Elliot Fire the 17N19 Rd system north to the Bear Creek Rd system. For suppression repair, work is ongoing on Independence Creek Rd, and Hot Potato Ridge and other areas just north of the Ufish fire perimeter. The 17N20 Rd in the interior of the Elliot Fire is also being repaired.

SMOKE EFFECTS: Smoke is not anticipated to be an issue in Happy Camp or along the Hwy 96 corridor. The rain has cleaned the air and tamped down the fires and thus smoke production. Smoke may be an issue next week if the surrounding fires (Six Rivers Complex and the Smith River Complex Fires) continue to burn.

EVACUATIONS: All warning zones around the Ufish and Elliot Fires have been dropped. View current Siskiyou County evacuation area status by visiting <https://community.zonehaven.com>.

CLOSURES: A closure order has been implemented in the Klamath National Forest. Find more information at <https://bit.ly/KlamathNFAAlertsNotices>. As hunting season continues, please be aware of area closures within our national forests. Contact local Forest Service offices for specific information.

DELAYS: One-way traffic control is on Highway 96 at various locations, from 5 miles east of Seiad to the Klamath River. <https://roads.dot.ca.gov/>