

Brice Creek, Dinner, and Grizzly Fires September 17, 2023 Daily Update



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Total personnel: 154

Total Resources: 5 engines; 5 crews; 7 helicopters; 3 heavy equipment; 4 water tenders

Even though the temperature was a little lower and the humidities were a little higher the Grizzly fire grew slightly. Smoke limited visibility which impacted the availability of air resources in the morning. Crews working on the ground were supported by aircraft in the afternoon.

Brice Creek Fire: Size: 588 acres | **Start Date:** August 24, 2023 | **Cause:** Lightning | **Containment:** 55%

Yesterday, favorable weather conditions allowed firefighting crews to make good progress. With air support, crews continued to mop up hotspots located in the southwest area of the fire. Firefighters also finished mopping up a spot fire on the eastern flank that occurred yesterday from a torching tree. Today, firefighters will continue to hold, secure, mop up control lines, and work on contingency lines. Helicopter bucket work is anticipated, and smoke will continue to show within the fire perimeter.

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

Crews patrolling located several hot spots that were threatening the integrity of the containment line; in response additional crews worked Saturday to mop up and secure these areas. Today the perimeter will once again be patrolled; any heat found will be mitigated. Suppression repair will be ongoing as crews prepare to transition this fire into patrol status.

Grizzly Fire: Size: 140 acres | **Start Date:** August 24, 2023 | **Cause:** Lightning | **Containment:** 0%

Yesterday, air resources were hampered by poor visibility due to smoke. As the skies cleared, they made continuous laps cooling the fire and slowing its growth. Last night the fire reached Champion Creek. Today firefighters will focus on keeping the fire east of Champion Creek. Air tankers will be supporting crews on the ground. Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) will be prepping structures along Champion Creek Road.

Weather: Cooler temperatures, 82 to 87 and higher humidities 25 to 31% will continue through today and into Monday.

Evacuations: Lane County issued a [Level 2 Evacuation](#) (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: Please remember to stay out of the fire area; this includes flying any unmanned aircraft (drones), if you fly we can't. There is a [forest closure](#) for portions of the Umpqua National Forest in response to fire activity in the area to protect public and firefighter safety. There is a [Temporary Flight Restriction](#) over the fire area.

Brice Creek Fire Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-brice-creek-fire>

Dinner Fire Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-dinner-fire>

Grizzly Fire Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-grizzly-fire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bricecreekdinnergrizzlyfires2023/>

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