Brice Creek Fire Grizzly Fire September 24, 2023 Daily Update







Brice Creek and Grizzly Fires

Total personnel: 135

Total Resources: 2 engines; 5 crews; 3 helicopters; 1 heavy equipment; 1 water tenders

Successful suppression tactics, cooler, moister weather and the changing season has led to minimal fire behavior on both fires. The transition from suppression to repair and stabilization is well under way; some crews and resources are being released. As a result, Sharps Creek Base Camp that has been supporting resources assigned to Grizzly and Brice Creek fires will be dismantled over the next few days. Remaining resources will move to Strader Incident Command Post (ICP) near Glide, Oregon while still being able to continue operational tactics on Grizzly and Brice Creek.

Brice Creek Fire: Size: 571 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 95% Yesterday, firefighting resources continued mop-up along the perimeter of a 98-acre pocket in the southeast corner and a 12-acre pocket in the northeast corner of the fire. Crews also pulled all interior hose lays, backhauled equipment and made significant progress on suppression repair work. Today, crews will continue patrols and finish all repair work.

Grizzly Fire: Size: 324 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 0%

Yesterday ground crews patrolled along Champion Creek while helicopters dropped water near the confluence of Grizzly and Champion Creeks to dampen fuels and slow the fires' movement. Today crews will monitor the westward spread and act as needed to protect private property and structures along Champion Creek. Mapping will be updated to show Management Action Points identified for future operations should the fire spread north across Grizzly Creek. Excess equipment will be removed from the area. The suppression repair group will focus on priority repair work in areas identified by resource advisors to mitigate anticipated erosion related to the approaching rain event.

Weather: Overcast with rain and showers in the morning, decreasing in the afternoon. Rain will intensify tonight with up to 1 expected to fall by Monday afternoon. Temperatures 58-66 on the ridges, 64-70 valleys. Humidity 52-60% ridges, 42-48% valleys.

Evacuations: Lane County issued a <u>Level 2 Evacuation</u> (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 <u>forest closure</u> for portions of the Umpqua National Forest in response to fire activity in the area to protect public and firefighter safety.

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

 $\textbf{Grizzly Fire Inciweb:} \underline{\textbf{https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orupf-grizzly-fire}$

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

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