Brice Creek, Dinner, and Grizzly Fires NW IMT12 Branch I September 8, 2023 Daily Fire Update







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Total personnel: 357 | **Total Resources:** 8 engines; 10 crews; 1 helicopter; 4 heavy equipment; 2 water tenders

Northwest Incident Management Team 12 is managing the Brice Creek, Dinner, and Grizzly Fires as Branch I and the Chilcoot and Ridge Fires as Branch II.

Brice Creek Fire: Size: 583 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 25% Yesterday firefighters initiated small-scale firing operations on the northeast flank of the fire, south of Forest Service Road (FSR) 2216, burning some interior green pockets of fuel to secure containment lines. On the southeast flank, north of FSR 22, firefighters burned the edge of an interior green island of remaining fuels. As fuels continue to dry out in the coming days, larger scale firing operations will be conducted via aerial ignitions to strengthen and secure containment lines around the fire. Today's work will consist of mastication of fuels with chippers, increasing mop up depth along the fires edge, and firing.

Dinner Fire: Size: 304 acres | **Start Date:** August 24, 2023 | **Cause:** Lightning | **Containment:** 90% The Dinner Fire is close to reaching full containment. Yesterday and today, fire crews continue mopping up the fires edge, increasing depth and securing the fireline. One chipper will also be working on the fire today, masticating and reducing woody debris.

Grizzly Fire: Size: 106 acres | Start Date: August 24, 2023 | Cause: Lightning | Containment: 0% Yesterday the west flank of the fire had a small increase in fire activity and a heavy helicopter dropped water buckets to keep the fire in check. Today a woodchipper and a road grader will be improving and repairing FSR 2212. Structure protection resources will be on scene and available. A Wildland Fire Module has worked two shifts now and is becoming familiar with the territory. They will engage strategic suppression tactics over the days ahead.

Weather: Temperatures will range from 75-85° with minimum relative humidity in the range of 30-45%. Ridge winds will be gusty. Wind gust will be between 15-20 mph.

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: 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 wildland firefighter safety. There is a <u>Temporary Flight</u> <u>Restriction</u> over the fire area.

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