

October 12, 2023

Anvil and Flat Fires Update



Anvil Fire

Size: 22,170 acres **Start Date:** August 25, 2023 **Location:** 8 miles east of Port Orford, OR
Containment: 80% **Total personnel:** 512 **Resources:** 13 crews, 1 helicopter, 9 engines

Rain and wet conditions slowed operations throughout the day yesterday. Crews dug erosion control features into dozer line on Grassy Knob and continued chipping, cleaning culverts and scouting for additional repair needs across the fire area. Today crews will take advantage of warmer and drier weather before the next round of rain arrives. On the north side, dirt berms created from dozer line will be smoothed out and any remaining brush will be scattered or chipped to prevent erosion. Removal of debris from culverts, chipping, and processing of brush will continue along the Forest Service 5502 road. Dozer line repair will also continue in the China Mountain area.

Evacuations: Level I evacuation zones around the Anvil Fire remain. There are no evacuation statuses on the Flat Fire. View the interactive evacuation map at <https://bit.ly/AnvilEvacs>. Sign up for Curry Co. emergency alerts at <https://bit.ly/CurryCoEM>.

Flat Fire

Size: 34,242 acres **Start Date:** July 15, 2023 **Location:** 2 miles southeast of Agness, OR
Containment: 93% **Total personnel:** 32 **Resources:** 1 crew

Chipping will continue along the Forest Service 3680 road to clean up brush that was cut during suppression.

Emergency Fire Area and Road Closures Still in Effect: Forest closures remain in place in both fire areas. There is an update to the Emergency Area and Road Closure for the Flat Fire, reducing the closure area and reopening roads adjacent to the fire area. The new order is effective October 3, 2023 through December 31, 2023 unless rescinded sooner. For current closure information and maps, please visit: <https://bit.ly/RRSNFAlerts> or <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-closures/orrsf-anvil-fire>.

Restrictions: The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest lifted all Public Use Restrictions on Forest Service lands and moved to "low" fire danger. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level was reduced to Level 1.

Weather: Today will be warmer and drier before wet weather returns. Without a period of prolonged drying, fire behavior is expected to be minimal. Forecast rain over the next few days may limit work by heavy equipment in the fire areas.

Smoke: Due to rain and lack of smoke, a daily smoke outlook no longer will be provided. Air quality information is available at www.OregonSmoke.org.