



PYRAMID FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE Date: July 21, 2024

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Location: Linn
County, CA
Size: 500 acres
Cause: Lightning

Fire Information: 541-208-1264
Hours: 08:00AM to 8:00PM
Email: 2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov

Start Date: Wednesday July 17, 2024
Percent Contained: 0%
Personnel: 94

CURRENT SITUATION:

This morning at 6:00 AM, California Interagency Incident Management Team 5 assumed command of the Pyramid Fire. The fire is burning in old-growth forests with heavy timber and steep rugged terrain, making access difficult for firefighters. Crews have been constructing indirect containment lines using heavy equipment, opening up old roads, and clearing trails in an effort to keep the fire from spreading into the Middle Santiam Wilderness, private industrial timberlands, and communities. The fire is being managed under a full suppression strategy, and the team has ordered more resources and equipment to battle the fire while always keeping firefighter safety in mind.

WEATHER:

A Red Flag warning is in effect until this evening for scattered thunderstorms, lightning, and critically dry fuels. Gusty outflow winds may increase fire activity throughout this period.

CLOSURES:

On July 19th the Willamette National Forest issued an emergency closure order for the Pyramid Fire for public and Firefighter safety. Read the full Forest Order closing the area at https://www.fs.usda.gov/.../FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1194122.pdf

EVACUATIONS:

On July 17th, the Linn County Sheriff's Office, in coordination with the Forest, issued a level 3: Go Now Evacuation Alert for the closure area affected. Sheriff Duncan wants everyone to know that the large evacuation area is necessary to give wildfire response teams enough space to safely travel and fight the fire. The fire itself is much smaller than the evacuation area. No residential structures are in jeopardy of the fire. This LEVEL 3: GO NOW! Evacuation Alert is primarily impacting forest and recreation areas. Please refer to the Linn County Fire Map <https://tinyurl.com/LinnCoFireMap> for full details of the issued evacuation area (which will appear in red). Follow the Linn County Sheriff's Office on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/LinnSheriff>

FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

Effective July 17, 2024, fire restrictions apply to all lands within the Willamette National Forest, including the Three Sisters, Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Waldo Lake, and Diamond Peak Wilderness areas. Read the full restriction at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487>



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