



# HOMESTEAD COMPLEX FIRE UPDATE



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## Hotshots to take on Salmon 33 Fire; plan being developed to contain No Man Fire

Operations personnel with Great Basin Team 5 got a better look Monday at the fires in the Homestead Complex, thanks to clearer air in the afternoon. Based on what they saw, adjustments are being made today to capitalize on the crews and equipment assigned to the complex. The total acreage of all the fires combined is 792 acres, based on infrared mapping overnight. More than 200 people are assigned to the complex.

Today, the Palomar Hotshots will move from the **Reynolds Butte Fire** to the **Salmon 33 Fire**, which was previously believed to be the **Steelhead Fire**. Fire managers determined that the Salmon 33 Fire is small and could be quickly contained. Crews continue to investigate a separate heat source detected in the area of the Steelhead Fire.

The **No Man Fire** north of Chilcoot Mountain near No Man Creek saw moderate fire activity Monday. The steep, rugged terrain means it is unlikely that firefighters will be working on the ground close to the fire's edge. Team 5 is working with cooperators west of the fire to develop plans for indirect control lines.

Firefighters assigned to the **Horse Heaven Creek Fire** and **Reynolds Butte Fire** will continue building direct containment lines in areas where they have the highest probability of success. The Horse Heaven Fire is staffed today with a hand crew, five engine crews, and several heavy equipment operators. The Reynolds Butte Fire is staffed today with a hand crew, four engine crews, and a couple heavy equipment operators.

The **Lost Bucket Fire** has line built and hose laid around it, thanks to the hard work of Douglas Forest Protective Association (DFPA) crews. Today, crews will work with a skidgen to reinforce lines, moving closer to declaring the fire contained. The **Fuller Lake Fire** and **Bullpup Fire** are unstaffed; however, Operations personnel continue to develop plans to engage these fires as resources become available.

Weather today is expected to be warmer with highs in the mid 80s. Light winds are forecast and relative humidities are expected to be higher. These conditions could lead to increased fire activity later in the day.

Area fire restrictions and danger ratings are as follows: Fire Danger Rating: High. Industrial Fire Restrictions: 2. Public Use Fire Restrictions: 2.

**CLOSURES:** The Umpqua National Forest issued a Forest Closure order on July 20, 2024, in response to fire activity to protect public and wildland firefighter safety. This closure impacts all of the Cottage Grove Ranger District and parts of the Diamond Lake, North Umpqua, and Tiller ranger districts. The closure includes the Boulder Flat Campground and Boat Launch. Canton Creek Road is the boundary of the Closure but is OPEN. To view the order, visit [www.fs.usda.gov/umpqua](http://www.fs.usda.gov/umpqua).