



HOMESTEAD COMPLEX FIRE UPDATE



Fire Information

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Homestead, Diamond complex teams to hold community meeting tonight

The incident management teams assigned to the Homestead Complex and Diamond Complex will hold a community meeting tonight to provide updates on their respective fires and answer questions from community members. The meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. in the Old Glide Middle School Gym, 301 Glide Loop. The teams intend to stream the meeting live on the Diamond Complex Fire Information Facebook page.

The seven confirmed fires in the Homestead Complex now total a combined 910 acres based on aerial infrared mapping. About 230 people are assigned to the complex with more arriving today.

The **Horse Heaven Creek Fire (258 acres)** was the most active fire in the complex on Tuesday. Crews were working on both direct and indirect containment lines when fire activity intensified, and they switched to indirect tactics. A helicopter attempted to assist firefighters with water drops but was unable to fly into the area due to thick smoke. Crews will reengage the fire today to continue building containment line.

Crews and heavy equipment operators assigned to the **No Man Fire (267 acres)** north of Chilcoot Mountain are using roads in the area to begin building containment line around the fire. The steep, rugged terrain means it is unlikely that firefighters will be working on the ground close to the fire's edge. Great Basin Team 5 continues to work with cooperators west of the fire to coordinate the construction of indirect control lines.

Firefighters assigned to the **Reynolds Butte Fire (84 acres)** are building direct containment lines in areas that have been identified as having the greatest likelihood for success. Work is also being done to further secure and improve containment line and hoselays around the **Lost Bucket Fire (35 acres)**. The **Fuller Lake Fire (38 acres)** and **Bullpup Fire (110 acres)** are unstaffed until additional resources become available.

Weather today is expected to be cooler with light wind. Smoke and high-level cloud cover should reduce solar heating today, which may moderate fire activity. Information about smoke impacts is available at <https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/d393fd74>.

Area fire restrictions and danger ratings are as follows: Fire Danger Rating: High. Industrial Fire Precaution Levels (IFPLs): 2. Public Use Fire Restrictions (PURs): 2.

CLOSURES: Umpqua National Forest has issued two closures across the forest in response to fire activity to protect public and wildland firefighter safety. Emergency Fire Closure ORDER NO. 06-15-24-03 and Emergency Fire Closure ORDER NO. 06-15-02-24-01 which impact all of the Cottage Grove Ranger District, most of the Diamond Lake Ranger District, and parts of the Tiller and North Umpqua Ranger Districts. The closure orders can be found here: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/umpqua/alerts-notice>.