



Microwave Tower Fire Daily Update

July 24, 2024

Fire Information: (541) 903-2069 daily from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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Microwave Fire Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/2024MicrowaveTowerFire/>

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/or954s-microwave-tower>

Microwave Tower Fire	0% Contained	704 Acres	5 miles west, southwest of Mosier, OR	Burning in brush, timber, and grass
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Highlights

The Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team 6, led by Incident Commander Mack McFarland, assumed command of the Microwave Fire at 6:00 a.m. this morning, Wednesday, July 24, 2024. The Complex Incident Management Team brings additional resources and management capabilities to implement a full suppression strategy for the Microwave Tower Fire. The Microwave Tower Fire was first detected on July 22 and the cause is currently under investigation.

Fire Behavior

The fire has seen moderate activity with intermittent single tree torching, some flanking and smoldering creating a moderate amount of smoke. The fire also saw growth backing down the north slope. With the expected increased winds today, crews are ready to address increased fire behavior and there is a potential for increased smoke in the area.

Currently there are approximately 72 personnel assigned to the fire. They are building a combination of dozer and hand line on the southern edge to contain the fire. Additionally, crews are working to improve roads, trails and previously constructed contingency lines around the remainder of the fire.

Evacuations

The Mosier Senior Center at 500 E. 2nd Ave., is being used as a cooling center for the public where they can also charge their devices. For up to date information on evacuations in the area, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/WascoCountySheriff>.