

Pioneer Fire Daily Update July 24, 2024



Quick Facts

Size: 30,914 acres

Start Date: June 8, 2024

Location: 31 miles NW of Chelan, WA

Containment: 14%

Personnel: 695

Cause: Human-caused, under investigation

Resources Assigned: 11 crews, 5 helicopters, 25 engines, 28 water tenders, 17 heavy equipment

There will be a **community meeting in Manson Wednesday, 5:30 PM at the Manson High School**. The meeting will be streamed live on the Pioneer Fire Information [Facebook page](#). Please submit questions in advance to 2024.pioneer@firenet.gov or via Facebook Messenger.

CURRENT SITUATION: Firefighters continued to engage in suppression and containment work on multiple fronts of the Pioneer Fire yesterday. Helicopters dropped water buckets on the northern flank of the fire as crews started construction of check line south of Flick Creek drainage. The check line is designed to incorporate natural barrier to slow the progression of the fire along the lake shore. The state mobilized strike team, which arrived on Monday, received their engines and trucks by barge. The additional equipment will enable them to further structure protection around private structures within Stehekin. UAS (drones) were flown over the Lone Fir drainage west of Manson to search for heat using infrared technology. No hot spots were found across the drainage. Road work and vegetation removal continued on contingency lines east of Manson along the Forest Service Road 8200 area.

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES: Last night the fire began backing into the Flick Creek drainage but has not crossed Flick Creek. Today firefighters will focus their attention on holding that section of the fire in the Flick Creek drainage. The state mobilized strike team will continue structure protection preparations in Stehekin. Lone Fir drainage will be monitored for heat spots. While monitoring the Lone Fir drainage crews will be poised for action as needed.

WEATHER: Inversions on Wednesday morning will give way to afternoon sunshine and warm temperatures reaching the mid 80s. The air will not be as dry as previous days but humidity levels may drop to around 25% in the afternoon. Light winds are expected early in the day and into the early afternoon. Wind speeds are forecasted to pick up later in the early evening with gusts of about 10 mph but may get up to as high as 20 mph. The winds will continue through Thursday of similar speeds.

EVACUATIONS: Level 1, 2 and 3 evacuation levels remain in effect around the Pioneer Fire. Please visit <https://t.ly/QoH9w> for more information.

FOREST CLOSURE: Current closures for the North Cascades National Park: <https://www.nps.gov/noca/index.htm>
The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest has a closure order in place for much of the fire area: <https://bit.ly/PioneerClosure>. Campfires are prohibited. There is a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) in place over the fire: https://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_4_6779.html. Unauthorized drone activity is prohibited under the TFR.

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wases-pioneer>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61560760893080>

Fire Information Line: 541-861-5808, 8 AM to 8 PM

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