



PYRAMID AND SLATE FIRES INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2024



Pyramid Fire Facebook Page

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Fire Information

Public Phone: 541-208-1264

Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily

Email: 2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov

Incident Website: inciweb.wildfire.gov

SLATE FIRE

SLATE FIRE PUBLIC MEETING TONIGHT: A public meeting about the Slate Fire will be held on Tuesday, July 30, at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at Detroit City Hall, 345 Santiam Ave. W. If you can't attend in person, you can watch the meeting live on the Willamette National Forest YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@WillametteFireInfo. If you have questions you'd like answered at the meeting, please email them to 2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov.

5 miles SW of Detroit, OR, 91 Acres, 27 Percent Contained, Total Personnel, 50, Under Investigation

Fire managers continue to emphasize the need to combat the Slate Fire aggressively despite milder weather. Control lines have been constructed and reinforced with hose and pumps. Firefighters are now tasked with the laborious process of mop-up. Mop-up refers to the challenging physical work of putting out burning material within the control line, removing fire-damaged trees, and cooling ash pits. Firefighters will be engaging in mop-up operations for the next few days to ensure that the control lines are secure.

PYRAMID FIRE

PYRAMID FIRE PUBLIC MEETING: A public meeting about the Pyramid Fire will be held on Wednesday, July 31, at 6 p.m. at Sweet Home Fire District, 1099 Long Street, Sweet Home. If you can't attend in person, you can watch the meeting live on the Willamette National Forest YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@WillametteFireInfo. If you have questions you'd like answered at the meeting, please email them to 2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov.

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness, 1,156 Acres, 11 Percent Contained, Total Personnel, 397, Lightning Caused

Yesterday, cooler weather reduced the fire activity and enabled firefighters to make significant progress in improving control lines. Heavy equipment is still being used, along with crews, to enhance the existing control lines on the fire perimeter. Today, crews are focused on constructing direct line on the east flank, at the fire's edge, towards the 580 Road. Firefighters are also keeping a close watch on the area, extinguishing any hot spots within the fire perimeter.

WEATHER AND SMOKE IMPACTS: Today will be relatively cool with increased humidity. The rest of the week will be warm and dry with a major heat wave expected this weekend. Smoke and air quality conditions are available on: AirNow.gov

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. 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).

AREA CLOSURES: Due to active fires, road, recreation sites, and trail (including the PCT) closures are in effect in the Willamette National Forest. Specific information is posted at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029>.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS: Fire restrictions are in effect for Willamette National Forest, including the Three Sisters, Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Waldo Lake, and Diamond Peak Wilderness areas. Read the complete restrictions at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487>.