



## PYRAMID AND SLATE FIRES INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: Wednesday, July 31, 2024

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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

## **PYRAMID FIRE**

**PYRAMID FIRE PUBLIC MEETING TONIGHT:** 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 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@WillametteFireInfo">www.youtube.com/@WillametteFireInfo</a>. If you have questions you'd like answered at the meeting, please email them to <a href="mailto:2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov">2024.Pyramid@firenet.gov</a>.

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness, 1,156 Acres, 11 Percent Contained, Total Personnel, 406, Lightning Caused On the northwest flank near two bridges, the fire continues to back down the slope within the constructed control lines. Heavy equipment and crews are still engaged in widening and improving the existing control line on the outer perimeter. With the predicted warmer and drier weather, crews continue to focus on direct line construction on the east flank, at the fire's edge, from the 680 Road to South Pyramid Creek.

## **SLATE FIRE**

## 5 miles SW of Detroit, OR, 91 Acres, 27 Percent Contained, Total Personnel, 48, Under Investigation

With warmer and drier weather predicted, fire crews are working aggressively on the Slate Fire. Control lines have been constructed, and firefighters are now tasked with the tedious process of mop-up. Today, crews worked up to 100 feet inside the fire's perimeter, searching for any burning materials, removing fire-damaged trees, and cooling ash pits. Firefighters will continue mop-up operations for the next few days to secure control lines.

**WEATHER:** A strong upper ridge will begin building over the area today, bringing warmer and drier conditions. A major heat wave is expected this weekend.

SMOKE IMPACTS: 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 <a href="https://tinyurl.com/LinnCoFireMap">https://tinyurl.com/LinnCoFireMap</a> 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 <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029">https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029</a>.

**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: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487">https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487</a>.