



# Central Cascades Interagency Management Team

Nickie Johnny – Incident Commander



## Whisky Creek Fire Daily Update

August 3, 2024

**Size:** 934 acres

**Cause:** Human – Under Investigation

**Containment:** 0%

**Total Personnel:** 339

**Start Date:** July 20, 2024

**Location:** 6 miles SE of Cascade Locks, OR

**Fuels:** Scrub oak, timber, and grass

### **Highlights:**

Fire managers flew over the fire and surrounding areas to assess fire activity and to further develop immediate and long-term plans. Northern Rocky Complex Incident Management Team 2 will assume command of the fire August 4, 2024, at 6:00 A.m.

### **Operations:**

Helicopters provided water drops throughout the day to cool isolated hot spots along the northern edge and Woolly Horn Ridge. Hand crews continued building and strengthening indirect lines along the eastern and southern lines of the fire, while dozers continued to work on building secondary lines. Evacuation routes for firefighter safety and medical team access were further developed.

Today, crews will build handline on the ridge between Roads 410 and 423 and improve the fire line along Roads 408, 409, 412 and over to the PCT. Lines will be plumbed with hoses to deliver water to the fire line. Dozers and masticators will strengthen secondary containment lines.

Smoke is expected to be visible from Hood River and the communities along the Oregon Route 35 corridor. Fire managers are watching and preparing for opportunities to conduct firing operations to remove potential fire fuels if conditions dictate responsive action to limit fire spread.

### **Fire Behavior and Weather:**

Light on shore winds will resume along with cloud cover today, then clearing early in the week. Temperatures remain hot and forest conditions are dry. With the persistent hot and dry weather, fire activity and smoke production is anticipated to increase.

### **Road and Trail Closures:**

The Mt. Hood National Forest and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area closure information can be found at: [Whisky Creek Fire Closures in Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness](#). Hood River County has closure information can be found on their [website](#).

### **Total Fire Resources Assigned:**

- Approx. 339 personnel, 9 hand crews, 5 water tenders, 3 dozers, 5 masticators, 1 skid steer, and 1 helicopter.

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