Easy Fire Daily Update August 13, 2024





Quick Facts

Size: 2130 acres | Start Date: July 17, 2024 | Location: 17 miles west of Mazama, WA

Containment: 0% | **Cause:** Lightning | **Resources Assigned:** 300

CURRENT SITUATION: Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) road crews continue to remove debris from State Route 20 following the mudslide on Aug 11. Debris and mud currently cover approximately 100 feet of both lanes of the highway between milepost 152 and 153. Firefighting operations came to a tactical pause yesterday as heavy precipitation created a hazardous work environment. Full suppression operations will resume today.

TODAY: Leveraging gains made from the precipitation, firefighters will go direct putting people right on the fires edge in the Swamp Creek drainage area to halt the fire's southeast spread. The ridgetop handline between the Okanogan-Skagit County line continues to hold on the east flank of the fire. Fire managers are evaluating crew access routes along the northern flank as they look to reinforce the existing handline there. Firefighters working along State Route 20 will continue improving containment lines along the roadway while removing any trees or fire debris.

WEATHER AND SMOKE: Thunderstorm chances diminish today to 20 percent. The marine layer will approach the fire area with higher humidity and cooler temperatures. Winds will largely be from the northwest with speeds of 6 to 10 mph and gusts around 15 mph.

Read full smoke report: https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/f79a6d6d

CLOSURES: State Route 20 is closed in both directions between Granite Creek (MP 148) and Rainy Pass (MP 157): https://wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/. State Route 20 will remain closed as crews continue working to mitigate hazards.

The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest has closures in place for trails within the fire area: https://bit.ly/EasyFireClosures. This closure includes a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail. 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.

EVACUATIONS: There are no evacuations in place for the Easy Fire. Visitors recreating in the area should be vigilant of surroundings and stay out of closed areas.

InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/waowf-easy-fire **Facebook:** https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61560760893080

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