

Quick Facts

Easy Fire Daily Update August 14, 2024



Size: 2130 acres | Start Date: July 17, 2024 | Location: 17 miles west of Mazama, WA Containment: 0% | Cause: Lightning | Resources Assigned: 305

CURRENT SITUATION: Road crews with the Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) continue to remove debris from State Road 20 following the mudslide on Aug 11. The damage is more extensive than previously realized and more heavy equipment will be actively removing dirt and debris from the roadway. The WSDOT team will reevaluate the road closure on Monday, August 19. Firefighters will continue to seek opportunities to directly contain the southeast flank in the Swamp Creek drainage area.

TODAY: Recent precipitation has drastically moderated fire behavior with activity mostly confined to smoldering and creeping. The fire remains on the north side of Highway 20, burning in timber fuels on extremely steep slopes between Mebee Pass and Mount Hardy. Firefighters working along State Road 20 will continue improving containment lines along the roadway while removing any fallen trees and fire related debris.

WEATHER AND SMOKE: Today will remain dry and relatively calm across the fire area, with clouds and fog in the morning hours. Once the fog breaks, the day will become partly sunny with temperatures warming into the upper 70s and low 80s. Calm winds in the morning will increase to northwest winds up to 13 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): <u>https://wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/</u>. 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: <u>https://bit.ly/EasyFireClosures</u>. 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: <u>https://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_4_6779.html</u>. 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.

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