



MORNING FIRE UPDATE



Winding Waters Complex August 1, 2024

Information: (541) 321-0369
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Incident Links: <https://linktr.ee/WindingWatersComplex2024>

Crews make important gains on the Winding Waters Complex

WALLOWA, Ore. – Yesterday’s strategic firing operations along the Deer Creek drainage of the Big Canyon fire successfully removed unburned fuels that posed a significant threat to fire lines. This operation also protected the safety of firefighters by reducing their exposure to debris rolling down the steep and rocky terrain.

Today, crews with air support will secure lines and cool hot spots near the line and be ready to extinguish any spot fires. Mop up and patrol operations continue across the complex.

A Community meeting will be held at the Wallowa High School commons adjacent to the gymnasium this evening, Thursday (8/01) at 7pm. Virtual participants can use the Incident Links URL above, or scannable QR code on the lower right of the page to join the meeting. There will be no evening update today.

A Fire Weather Watch is in effect from Friday morning through Friday evening, for hot dry and unstable conditions that could lead to extreme fire behavior on Friday. Chances of thunderstorms, while low overall, enter the forecast on Saturday and Sunday, mainly over the mountains.

The Winding Waters Complex is comprised of the following fires, listed by name and Acres:

Big Canyon: 288 Acres	Mountain View: 318 Acres
Charlie Brown: 69 Acres	Water: 18.5 Acres
Courtney Creek: 59 Acres	

Public use and industrial restrictions remain in effect on both ODF and USFS jurisdictions.

Contact Blue Mountain Interagency Dispatch Center at (541) 963-7171 or dial 9-1-1 to report a fire or smoke. Find Blue Mountains fire-updates at <http://bluemountainfireinfo.blogspot.com/>

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FIRE AT A GLANCE

Estimated Size: 752 Acres

Containment: 17%

Cause: Lightning

Estimated Cost: \$2.8 Million

Evacuations: None

Resources

Total Resources: 491

Hand Crews: 18

Engines: 23

Dozers: 4

Water Tenders: 9

Masticators: 2

Skidgens: 2

Helicopters:

Type 1 - 2

Type 2 - 2

Type 3 - 2



Incident and Community
Meeting Links

Incident Command:
Matt Howard, Incident Commander