

MORNING FIRE UPDATE



Winding Waters Complex August 3, 2024

Information: (541) 321-0369 Email: imt2.fireinfo@odf.oregon.gov Incident Links: https://linktr.ee/WindingWatersComplex2024

Significant fire activity quenched as thunderstorms approach the Winding Waters Complex.

WALLOWA, Ore. – During the last operational period crews used drones with infrared cameras to locate hot spots inside the fire's perimeter on the Courtney Creek and Charlie Brown fires. Infrared technology helps locate heat that isn't otherwise visible, allowing crews to find and extinguish lingering hot spots.

The Water fire is in patrol status, which means that crews will patrol daily and respond to fire activity as needed. Elsewhere on the complex, crews will remove snags and hazard trees, mop up deeper into the interior and return supplies that are no longer needed back to camp. Suppression repair work is also underway to remove berms along dozer lines and install water bars to minimize erosion during rain. Air support is available to assist firefighters on the ground, and patrol for any fire spreading beyond the containment lines.

A Red Flag Warning for abundant lightning is in effect over the fire area from 2 PM this afternoon through 7 AM Sunday morning. A Heat Advisory is in effect for temperatures of 90 to 100 degrees.

If gains to secure the fire's perimeter proceed per plan, a Transfer of Command to a robust Type 4 Incident Command is projected for August 6, 2024.

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

Big Canyon: 288 Acres Charlie Brown: 69 Acres Courtney Creek: 59 Acres Mountain View: 318 Acres Water: 18.5 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 fireupdates at <u>http://bluemountainfireinfo.blogspot.com/</u>

FIRE AT A GLANCE

Estimated Size: 752 Acres

Containment: 43%

Cause: Lightning

Estimated Cost: \$4.6 Million

Evacuations: None

Resources

Total Resources: 485

Hand Crews: 18

Engines: 2	21
Dozers:	4
Water Tenders:	9
Masticators	2

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Skidgens: 2

Excavator: 1

Helicopters:

Type 1 - 2 Type 2 - 2 Type 3 - 2

Incident Command: Matt Howard, Incident Commander