

RED FIRE DAILY UPDATE

Monday, August 20, 2024 541-208-1766

2024 red@firenet.gov https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/ordef-red-fire https://www.facebook.com/2024RedFire



Size: 737 acres Location: 5 miles west of Crescent Lake Junction, OR County: Klamath

Start Date: July 17, 2024 Cause: Lightning Containment: 0%

Total Personnel: 194

Crescent, OR – The Red Fire is burning within the Diamond Peak Wilderness of the Deschutes National Forest, on the southwest slope of Redtop Mountain. The fire continues being managed under a **full suppression** strategy. Public and firefighter safety is the highest priority in managing this fire.

Yesterday's Activities – Crews continued work on the fuel break line protecting the homes on the northwest side of Crescent Lake. The trees and vegetation are being trucked out of the fire area for storage and disposal.

Today's Activities – Work continues today on the shaded fuel break between Crescent Lake and Summit Lake. Crews are clearing the break area of undergrowth and leaving trees spaced appropriately to serve as a fireline buffer.

Weather and Smoke – An offshore trough will move east across the area today bringing a slight chance of showers. A low-pressure system will develop off the pacific northwest coast by Thursday and is expected to bring wet chilly weather across the fire area by Friday. https://fire.airnow.gov/.

Closures – The Deschutes National Forest emergency closure around Crescent Lake and in Diamond Peak Wilderness is still in effect. *The public should note that Forest Service Road 60 is closed, and road guards have been posted for public safety.* More closure information is available at: https://www.fsa.gov/alerts/deschutes/alerts-notices/?aid=89091

Evacuations – The *WILDFIRE! Level 1 – BE READY to Evacuate* notice issued by Klamath County Emergency Management for Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, and Crescent Junction areas remains in effect (INCENDIO FORESTAL! Nivel 1 - ESTÉ PREPARADO para evacuar de las siguientes zonas: Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, Crescent Junction). Visit www.klamathcounty.org/300/emergency-management for more information or to sign up for alerts.

Fire Restrictions – Stage 2 Public Use Fire Restrictions – which prohibit open fires, including in developed campgrounds – remain in effect for the Deschutes National Forest. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level is currently Level IV "General Shutdown." Visit fs.usda.gov/detail/deschutes/home/?cid=stelprdb5297376 for more information.

Drone Restrictions – Aerial firefighting is suspended when unauthorized drones (UAS) are in the area. Unauthorized drone use over a fire area poses serious risks to fire personnel and the effectiveness of wildfire suppression operations. *If you fly, we can't.*