

# Fire Update – Ore Fire

Sunday, August 4, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

## Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1

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Ore Fire Acres: 1,766    Containment: 29%    Cause: Under Investigation    Total Personnel: 188

Fire suppression efforts continue on the Ore Fire, which is burning 7 miles northeast of Blue River, Oregon. The Ore Fire is now one of 10 fires being managed by the Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1, all of which are on the Willamette National Forest. These fires include the Ore Fire, Oakridge Lightning Fires 2024, Slate Fire, and Pyramid Fire.

Yesterday, fire behavior was minimal due to cloudy conditions and light drizzle which allowed crews to continue to prep primary lines along the eastern, northern and western sides of the fire. Hose lays and sprinklers have continued to be strategically placed near areas of increased fire activity. Firefighter efforts were ongoing, monitoring and patrolling the fire perimeter along the FS 1509 and FS 15 Roads.

Today, crews will continue to work to strengthen primary and contingency lines on the northwest and northeast sides of the fire. Heavy equipment operators will continue to remove woody debris and other fuels, and chipping operations will continue. Firefighters will be working closely with Resource Advisors to minimize the impact of fire suppression activities. Crews working both the day and night shifts will continue to hold the fire perimeter to the south, preventing fire spread into critical infrastructure and identified values at risk.

### **Weather:**

Yesterday, there was moderate fire activity due to cloud cover and damp conditions. Today will be sunny and dry, which will have the potential for increased fire activity around the fire.

### **Smoke:**

Smoke from numerous wildfires burning throughout the state will affect air quality in many areas over the coming days, and can be a burden for many, especially those with respiratory issues. For information on air quality in your area go to: [www.airnow.gov](http://www.airnow.gov).

### **Closures and Fire Restrictions:**

Area, road, trail, and recreation site closures are in place on the Willamette National Forest in the vicinity of many active fires. Temporary road barricades are in place to restrict traffic across the fire areas. For specific closure information follow this link:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029>

Fire restrictions on the Willamette National Forest may be found at this link:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487>

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR) remain in place over the Ore Fire. Wildfires are a no-fly zone for unauthorized aircraft, including drones. **If you fly, we can't.** For more information, visit

<http://knowbeforeyoufly.org>.