

Fire Update – Ore Fire

Tuesday, August 6, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1

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Special Note: There will be a community meeting for the Ore Fire, Willamette Complex (Oakridge Lightning Fires), Slate Fire, and Pyramid Fire on Thursday August 8th at 6:00 pm. The meeting will take place at the Thurston High School Auditorium at 333 58th St, Springfield. Additionally, California Incident Management Team 13 will be arriving today for an in briefing with Rocky Mountain CIMT1, they will be assuming management of the Ore, Pyramid, and Slate Fires.

Current Situation: The Ore Fire is one of 10 fires being managed by Rocky Mountain CIMT1, all of which are on the Willamette National Forest. Firefighters have nearly completed firelines around the border of the fire. Crews and heavy equipment will continue to strengthen these lines by removing fuels such as snags and debris. Firefighters will continue securing, monitoring, and patrolling these lines as warm and dry conditions continue through the week.

Division A: Containment line is complete along the southwest side of the fire and crews will continue securing and patrolling firelines.

Division D: There was increased fire activity in this division yesterday due to the drier fuels and warmer conditions. Crews continue utilizing strategic firing operations to reinforce containment lines along the northwest side of the fire tying in with divisions A and J. The 1509 Road continues to be the priority containment line with secondary contingency lines being constructed.

Division J/W: Work continues on completing and securing contingency lines on the north side of the fire with heavy equipment clearing trees and fuels. Firefighters are closely monitoring fire behavior with continued warm and dry conditions.

Division Z: Crews continue to strengthen contingency lines across the division and will proceed monitoring and patrolling primary firelines.

Weather & Fuel Conditions: Warm and dry conditions are forecasted through the end of the week with the hottest and driest day predicted for Wednesday. Increased fire activity is possible as the warmer conditions dry out fuels on the fire. Today, warm and dry conditions will continue with temperatures in the low 80s and humidity between 20-40%. Winds will remain light and variable throughout the day.

Evacuations, 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>

Daily Smoke Outlook reports can be found at this link: <https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/ed63b240>

Wildfires are a no-fly zone for unauthorized aircraft, including drones. **If you fly, we can't.** For more information, visit <http://knowbeforeyoufly.org>.

Ore Fire Statistics: Size: 2001 acres Containment: 29% Total Personnel: 152 Location: 7 Miles NE of Blue River, OR Reported: 07/17/2024 Cause: Undetermined	For More Information: Information Phone: (541) 208-1262 Email: 2024.ore@firenet.gov InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orwif-ore-fire Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/OreFireInformation2024 Linktree: https://linktr.ee/2024_Willamette_Complex
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