

Fire Update – Ore Fire

Thursday, August 8, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

California Interagency Incident Management Team 13

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Information Staffing Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Community Meeting: Today there will be a community meeting for the Ore Fire, Willamette Complex (Oakridge Lightning Fires), Slate Fire, and Pyramid Fire at 6:00 pm. The meeting will take place at the Thurston High School Auditorium at 333 58th St, Springfield.

Current Situation: California Interagency Incident Management Team 13 assumed management of the Ore, Pyramid, and Slate Fires at 0700.

Crews patrolled and monitored the Ore Fire overnight, observing active fire behavior along the 15 Road. Today, crews across the Ore Fire will continue construction, improvement and reinforcement of indirect lines. Crews and heavy equipment will also focus on reinforcing containment lines, by widening and improving existing control line on the outer perimeter. Fire behavior is expected to be high today and crews will focus on securing and holding the fire perimeter, removing trees, snags and other fuels, and suppressing any flare-ups or hot spots.

Weather & Fuel Conditions: Today will continue to be hot and dry. Predicted maximum temperature is 90 to 94 °F in the valleys and 86 to 90 °F on the ridgetops. Predicted minimum relative humidity is 28 to 34 percent in the valleys and 32 to 38 percent on the ridgetops. Fire behavior potential continues to be high today with potential for spotting and torching. Smoke and air quality conditions are available on: AirNow.gov

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: 2,221 acres Containment: 29% Total Personnel: 148 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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