Fire Update – Pyramid and Slate Fires

Monday, August 5, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1

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Current Situation: The Pyramid and Slate Fires are 2 of 10 fires currently being managed by Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1, all of which are on the Willamette National Forest. A full suppression strategy is being implemented for both the Pyramid and Slate Fires.

Pyramid Fire (1,296 acres, 31% contained)

Division B/E: Crews were able to conduct strategic firing operations again yesterday to bring the fire to indirect control lines. Crews will use strategic firing operations again today if conditions allow and continue efforts to secure the fire perimeter.

Division Y: Yesterday, firefighters finished removing standing dead trees and constructing indirect control line around one of last week's spot fires. Priorities will continue to be to secure the fire's perimeter.

Slate Fire (91 acres, 99% contained)

Crews continued to patrol and secure the fire perimeter and began removing logs cut during construction of indirect control lines. Firefighters remain focused on mopping up and adding control line depth.

Weather & Fuel Conditions:

Conditions will continue to be sunny, warm, and dry, with increasing instability, with these conditions expected to continue through Friday. Today, predicted maximum temperature is 78 to 88 °F and minimum relative humidity is 35 to 45 percent. Conditions today are expected to be suitable for strategic firing operations. Increased fire activity yesterday will result in significantly more smoke in the area today. Smoke and air quality conditions are available on: AirNow.gov

Evacuations, Closures & Fire Restrictions:

On July 17th, the Linn County Sheriff's Office, in coordination with the Willamette National Forest, issued a Level 3: Go Now Evacuation Alert for the closure area affected. Please refer to the Linn County Fire Map https://tinyurl.com/LinnCoFireMap for full details of the issued evacuation area (which will appear in red). To sign up for evacuation alerts, visit https://www.linnsheriff.org/.

Area, road, trail, and recreation site closures are in effect in the Willamette National Forest. Specific information is posted at https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=61574.

Fire restrictions are in effect for Willamette National Forest. Read the complete restrictions at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notices/?aid=81487.

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

Pyramid Fire Statistics:

Size: 1,296 acres Containment: 31% Total Personnel: 380

Location: East of Middle Santiam Wilderness

Reported: July 17, 2024 Cause: Lightning

Slate Fire Statistics:

Containment: 99% Total Personnel: 91 Size: 91 acres

Location: 5 miles SW of Detroit

Reported: July 23, 2024 Cause: Undetermined

For More Information:

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Linktree (includes InciWeb and Facebook): https://linktr.ee/2024 Willamette Complex