

Fire Update – Pyramid and Slate Fires

Wednesday, August 7, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team 1

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Current Situation: There will be a community meeting for the Pyramid Fire, Slate Fire, Ore Fire, and Willamette Complex (Oakridge Lightning Fires) on Thursday August 8th at 6:00 pm. The meeting will take place at the Thurston High School Auditorium at 333 58th St, Springfield. The Pyramid and Slate Fires are being managed by Rocky Mountain CIMT1. Management of the Pyramid, Slate, and Ore Fires will transition to California Interagency Incident Management Team 13 on Thursday. Moving forward, the Pyramid, Slate, and Ore Fires will be collectively referred to as the North Zone of the Willamette Complex.

Pyramid Fire (1,331 acres, 31% contained)

Division B/E: With dry conditions and increased fire behavior yesterday, crews focused on patrolling and securing the fire perimeter, managing two spot fires. Today, firefighters have installed and are operating sprinkler systems and will continue to patrol and secure the fire's edge to ensure control lines hold.

Division Y: Firefighters continued to focus on constructing direct and indirect control line yesterday and conducted some strategic firing operations and hose lays. Some resources were reassigned to support firefighting efforts on the nearby Ore Fire. Today, crews will focus on patrolling and securing the fire perimeter.

Slate Fire (91 acres, 99% contained)

Crews began suppression repair of the Slate Fire yesterday and will continue patrolling and securing the fire perimeter where needed.

Weather & Fuel Conditions: Today will be very dry. Skies will be mostly sunny this morning, becoming partly cloudy this afternoon. Predicted maximum temperature is 82 to 92 °F and minimum relative humidity is 20 to 30 percent. Because of dry conditions, active fire behavior is expected early in the day and through the night. 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: 1,331 acres Containment: 31% Total Personnel: approx. 275 Location: East of Middle Santiam Wilderness Reported: July 17, 2024 Cause: Lightning	Slate Fire Statistics: Size: 91 acres Containment: 99% Total Personnel: 65 Location: 5 miles SW of Detroit Reported: July 23, 2024 Cause: Undetermined
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