

Red Fire

August 6, 2024

Daily Fire Update



Online: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/ordef-red-fire>

Facebook: 2024 Red Fire Information <https://www.facebook.com/2024RedFireOR/>

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Red Fire Quick Facts

Size: 498 acres

Start Date: July 17, 2024

Origin: 5 miles west of Crescent Lake Junction, OR

County: Klamath

Cause: Lightning

Completed Fuel Break: 9.4 miles *

Containment: 0%

Total Staff: 284

* Includes 3.0 miles of Shaded Fuel Break

Operations: Yesterday, the Red Fire continued to show limited growth. The shaded fuel break work between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake has progressed north from Crescent Lake Resort past Crescent Lake State Airport. Crews continue to work on structure protection assessments around Odell Lake Resort, Diamond Peak community, Willamette Ski Resort, and surrounding homes, preparing structure protection gear that can be deployed if needed. Crews continued to work on ladder fuel reduction between Forest Service Road 60 and the residential service road by removing grass, brush, small trees, and low-level limbs that can convey fire into tree canopies and have completed about 80 out of 100 acres. Road crews continued working on improving Forest Service Road 6010 to Summit Lake with a dozer, making it safer and more accessible for heavy equipment.

Today, firefighters will resume their efforts to protect homes, infrastructure, and natural resources. They will focus on structure assessments and protection planning. Hand crews and heavy equipment are working to extend the shaded fuel break west from Crescent Lake Resort along Forest Service Road 60. Resource advisors from the Deschutes National Forest are working closely with firefighters to protect sensitive areas and unique forest habitat. Crews will soon finish extending the northern section of the shaded fuel break between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake. The work on ladder fuel removal between Forest Service Road 60 and the service road is nearly complete, which will create defensible space for residences in the area. A helicopter may be available to the Red Fire today and as availability permits will focus on dropping water on the south side of the fire to cool down the active heat. Firefighters expect this to reduce fire intensity as the flames move into larger trees.

Round Mountain & Wickiup Fires: Please be aware fire operations will continue around these fires.

Round Mountain Fire is 108 acres and 85% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol, mop-up, and complete repair work.

The Wickiup Fire is 168 acres and 90% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol and mop-up.

Deschutes County Sheriff's Office lifted the evacuation order around the Wickiup Fire. Temporary emergency closures remain in effect for areas around the [Wickiup Fire](#) and [Round Mountain Fire](#).

Closures: The Deschutes National Forest has implemented an emergency closure around Crescent Lake and in the Diamond Peak Wilderness. *The public should note that Forest Service Road 60 is closed, and road guards have been posted for public safety.* More closure information is available at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/deschutes/alerts-notice/?aid=89091>

Evacuation Notices: The **WILDFIRE! Level 1 – BE READY to Evacuate** notice issued by Klamath County Emergency Management for the Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, and Crescent Junction areas remains in effect (INCENDIO FORESTAL! Nivel 1 - ESTÉ PREPARADO para evacuar de las siguientes zonas: Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, Crescent Junction). For information, or to sign up for alerts, visit: www.klamathcounty.org/300/emergency-management

Fire Restrictions: Stage 2 Public Use Fire Restrictions which prohibit open fires, including in developed campgrounds, are in effect for the Deschutes National Forest. Visit the Deschutes National Forest's website fs.usda.gov/detail/deschutes/home/?cid=stelprdb5297376 for more information. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level is currently Level IV "General Shutdown".

Weather: Sunny with a high near 80°, relative humidity 23%, and west/northwest winds gusting to 17 mph.

Smoke: Smoke may be more visible today as the Red Fire encounters heavier fuels. Air quality information can be found at <https://fire.airnow.gov/>.