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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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Memorandum

Date: August 20, 2024
To: All Park Visitors, Employees and Residents
From: Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park
Subject: Middle Fork Fire, Emergency Trail and Backcountry Closure, 36 CFR 1.5(b)

Due to potentially hazardous conditions created by the Middle Fork Fire, the following trails will be closed to entry and use until further notice:

- Pacific Crest Trail from its intersection with the Lightning Springs Trail to the intersection with the Rim Trail.
- The Bald Crater Loop Trail
- The Bert Creek Trail
- The Boundary Springs Trail

Additionally, an area closure is in place north of Lightning Springs Trail and west of the West Rim Drive and North Entrance Roads. Backcountry travel is prohibited in this area and no backcountry permits will be issued until further notice. Crater Lake Visitor and Resource Protection and Fire Management staff will be assessing ongoing conditions as the fire progresses.

The trail and area closures are being implemented to reduce threats to public safety associated with active wildland fire hazards.

All other trails in the park are currently open and any previous closure orders are rescinded.

This closure is implemented pursuant to the authority described in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations 1.5(a)(1), 1.5(b) and 1.5(f). Please contact Public Information Officer Marsha McCabe at 541-594-3091 with any questions or for additional information.

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