



HOMESTEAD COMPLEX FIRE UPDATE

Fire Information

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

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The Homestead Complex includes seven fires totaling 4,387 acres with an overall containment of 17%. There are 591 personnel currently working on the fire. Fire managers continue directing resources to fires based on threats to property, infrastructure, industry, and areas with the highest probability of success while providing for firefighter and public safety. The fire is being managed by Northwest Incident Management Team 8.

Yesterday, on the **No Man Fire (1,660 acres)**, crews worked tactical firing operations westward on the south side of the fire. To the north, firefighters focused on holding, maintaining and strengthening control lines. Two engines patrolled the area overnight. The **Salmon 33 (244 ac.) Fire** continued to stay within its footprint as fire personnel mopped up and continued to establish containment. **Horse Heaven Creek Fire (1,369 ac.)** had a couple small spot fires that were caught by firefighters, and the two-acre spot from the day before remained secured. Crews continued burnouts down the eastern flank of the fire, reaching the 070 Road. On the northwest flank, fire has crossed control lines near the bottom of Windy and Horse Heaven Creek drainages. Mop-up continued to the south. On the **Bullpup Fire (413 ac.)**, helicopter bucket drops were used to moderate some increased fire activity on the western side of the fire. Fire leadership determined the best route to continue hand and dozer line work to the northeast. Engines patrolled the 300 Road, keeping fire from crossing the road. On the **Fuller Lake Fire (332 ac.)**, crews were engaged in holding and searching for containment opportunities to the north. The **Reynolds Butte Fire (335 ac)** continued to show little activity and crews continued mopping up in that area.

Today, on the **No Man Fire**, tactical firing operations to the south will continue and build on yesterday's progress. To the north side, crews will be working burnouts to the east and prepping the 3811 and 3815 roads from north toward the south and Salmon 33 Fire. Crews on the **Salmon 33 Fire** are working to tie up the indirect line to the west between No Man and Salmon 33. Monitoring and mop-up efforts continue with minimal fire activity. On the **Horse Heaven Creek Fire**, there's still some moderate fire activity. Crews will continue moving firing operations south down the eastern flank toward the 059 Road. To the north, firefighters will be scouting today for strategic opportunities to pick up the fire that crossed planned control lines. Contingency line work is progressing on the 5850 and 010 roads. Firefighters assigned to the **Bullpup and Fuller fires** continue to keep the fires within the road systems and control lines. The 5851 Road by Fuller Lake is still holding, and crews will continue patrolling and holding it as

they work up and around and prep lines to the west and south. On Bullpup, fire personnel have dozer lines tied into handline near the 300 Road. Burning operations will expand in the coming days. The **Reynolds Butte Fire** remains close to patrol status. Firefighters continue to wind down operations there and will be reallocated around the complex once work is complete. The **Lost Bucket Fire (34 ac.)** was contained on July 29 and remains in a patrol status.

Today's weather: Overnight relative humidity recovery was good, in the 70 to 90 percent range. Temperatures will be 3-5 degrees warmer than yesterday and ranging in the 70s and potentially 80s at the lower elevations. Relative humidity is expected to be in the 40s. Terrain-driven winds during the morning and noon hours will pick up at the higher elevations into the afternoon, with west-northwesterly gusts up to 20 mph possible and potential for an uptick in gusts on the ridges.

Current forest fire restrictions and danger ratings are:

Fire Danger Rating: Very High

Industrial Fire Precaution Levels (IFPL): 3

Public Use Fire Restrictions (PUR): 3

CLOSURES:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Roseburg District, has issued a closure order for portions of BLM land which border the Umpqua National Forest Emergency Fire Closure north of Steamboat. The closure order can be viewed here:

<https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2024-07/orwa-fpo-rbg-072624.pdf>.

The Umpqua National Forest has Emergency Fire Closures in place impacting every district of the forest. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/umpqua/alerts-notices>.

Fire Prevention:

Continue to check for Fire Restrictions when recreating or working outside. Agencies use weather forecasts, the current regional and national fire situation, resource availability and many other factors to calculate appropriate fire restriction levels. Do your part to help keep unwanted human fire starts off of the landscape! #onlyyoucanpreventwildfires #itonlytakesonespark