



## Northern Rockies

### Complex Interagency Management Team 2

Scott Schuster – Incident Commander



## Whisky Creek Fire Daily Update

August 4, 2024

**Size:** 1,003 acres

**Cause:** Human – Under Investigation

**Containment:** 0%

**Start Date:** July 20, 2024

**Location:** 6 miles SE of Cascade Locks, OR

**Fuels:** Scrub oak, timber, and grass

### **Highlights:**

The Northern Rockies Complex Incident Management Team 2, led by Incident Commander Scott Schuster, assumed command of the Whisky Creek Fire today, August 4, 2024, at 6 a.m. Fire Operations assessed the fire by air and reported minimal fire activity with growth mainly on the west and south.

### **Operations:**

Helicopters conducted water drops on the western edge of the fire where it is slowly backing downslope into the Herman Creek watershed below Woolly Horn Ridge. Firefighting aircraft are being requested to deploy retardant to prevent further movement westward. Due to the moderate growth of the fire, helicopter rappellers will assess northwestern edge of the fire to identify potential landing spots and determine if direct fire suppression tactics will be feasible on that edge of the fire. Construction of primary indirect line and strengthening of secondary line continues.

### **Fire Behavior and Weather:**

Warm and dry weather is expected to continue into next week with a very slight chance of showers and thunderstorms this afternoon. Fire behavior over the past week has been moderate, with creeping and smoldering behavior, but is expected to increase in the afternoon with slight to moderate spread and increased smoke production as warm and dry conditions persists.

### **Road and Trail Closures:**

The Mt. Hood National Forest and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area closure information can be found at: [Whisky Creek Fire Closures in Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness](#). Hood River County has closure information can be found on their [website](#).

### **Total Fire Resources Assigned:**

- Approx. 400 personnel, 10 hand crews, 2 engines, 4 water tenders, 3 dozers, 5 masticators, and 2 skidders.

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