



California Incident Management Team 1

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Firefighters plan to go direct as possible and protect structures on the Wiley Flat and Hawley Ridge Fire

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Fire Information Phone: 530-685-0536 (8 a.m.-8 p.m.)

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Acres: Wiley Flat – 19,935; 5% contained
Hawley Ridge – 793; 70% contained

Location: Wiley Creek: about 10 miles southeast of Post, Oregon off Highway 380.

Start Date: September 2, 2024 **Personnel:** 214

Resources: 7 crews | 10 engines | 11 dozers | 6 water tenders | 1 skid steers

Highlights: California Team 1 took command of the Wiley Flat and Hawley Ridge fires at 0600 on 9/6/2024. The Hawley Ridge fire remains at 197 acres and is in patrol status.

The Wiley Flat fire pushed northwest crossing the 1690 road into private land near the vicinity of Shotgun Creek increasing the size of the fire by 1,935 acres. Crews continue working on structure protection. Work is continuing to the east to improve fire lines and crews are utilizing the Camp Creek fire scar to their advantage. Aircraft will be utilized when conditions allow. Dozer line at the heel of western edge is remaining secure and crews are working on mop up.

Fire operations will occur this morning in the southeast if test burn is successful. This will help decrease firefighter risk. Otherwise crews will go direct with continued air support.

There is a Red Flag warning for Saturday bringing hot and dry conditions to the fire. Thunderstorms will be moving in the area this evening pushing into the Blue Mountains. There is a possibility for extreme fire activity and new ignitions.

There will be a public meeting at the Post General Store on Monday September 9, 2024 at 6 p.m.

Weather: Temperatures will remain in the 90s with poor RH recovery. Outflow winds may reach up to 40 mph. Forecasted easterly winds expected over fire area will challenge containment lines.

Evacuations: The Crook County Sheriff's Office has lowered the evacuation level from Level 3 (recommended evacuation) to Level 2 (set for evacuation) from Highway 380 north to SE Puett Road. The area north of SE Puett Road around the perimeter of the fire remains at a Level 3. The area south of Highway 380 has been lowered to Level 1 (prepare for possible evacuation). An [evacuation map](#) is available online through the Crook County Emergency Management Office website.

Importance of Fire Prevention: All public lands in Central Oregon, including the Ochoco National Forest, are in [Stage 2 Public Use \(Fire\) Restrictions](#). All open flames, including woodstoves and charcoal briquette fires, are prohibited. In times of high fire danger, it is crucial for everyone to follow prevention measures to avoid additional strain on overburdened resources.

Fire Restrictions and Closures: The Ochoco National Forest has implemented a [forest closure](#) for the eastern portion of the Paulina Ranger District. The Bureau of Land Management has issued a [temporary closure](#) for portions of public lands in Crook and Grant Counties.

More Information:

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orocf-wiley-flat>

Facebook: [Facebook.com/Wiley Flat Fire](https://www.facebook.com/WileyFlatFire)

Central Oregon Wildfire Information: <https://centraloregonfire.org/>