







FOSSIL COMPLEX Daily Update: September 24, 2024 (541) 903-5311 Social Media and Information Links: https://linktr.ee/ODFTeam2

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Suppression Repair is the Main Focus for Crews

FOSSIL, Ore. – Suppression repair crews will continue work on all three fire areas - the Fossil Complex, the Lonerock Fire and the Battle Mountain Complex.

Fossil Complex suppression repair is mainly focused on the Service Fire. The north side work will continue working from the west to the east side repairing dozer berms and installing water bars. The current work area is in steep terrain, so a lot of the water bar work is being done by hand while equipment works elsewhere. The placement of water bars on containment lines, staging areas, and other disturbed areas mitigates erosion on the roads when the winter rains arrive.

Mop up on the Service Fire is in the final stages. There are areas on the north and southeast side where crews are doing final checks to make sure there is no chance of flare ups that could threaten containment lines. Smoke from the fire's interior may be seen for quite some time in the coming weeks before the onset of seasonal wetting rains.

The focus of suppression repair on the Lonerock Fire will be on the north end where crews are working to repair areas back to normalcy.

On the Battle Mountain Complex, crews will be working on the southeast side in the Long Creek area where there was a significant amount of dozer line built during fire suppression efforts. They will be working from the west to the east repairing where needed and ensuring that all dozer lines are accurately mapped.

Today's weather will be in the lower upper 80s and lower 90s. Winds will continue to be light out of the west and relative humidity in the lower 20s. Tomorrow a cold weather front will move through the area dropping temperatures and increasing winds.

Videos: Recordings of the Daily Operations Updates and other stories are available at: https://www.youtube.com/@FossilComplex.

FIRE AT A GLANCE

Fossil Complex

Total Size: 24,446 acres Two Cabin - 253 acres Canyon - 192 acres Kinzua - 96 acres Holmes - 15 acres Service - 23,890

Containment: 97% Cause: Lightning Current Cost: \$29.0M

All Resources

Hand Crews: 7
Engines: 22
Water Tender: 6
Dozers: 11
Excavator: 5

Total Personnel: 378

Aerial Resources

Type 1: 1 Type 2: 1 Type 3: 1

Evacuations:

None



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