



<b>Fire start date:</b> September 5, 2024	<b>Location:</b> 5 miles southeast of Tiller	<b>Cause:</b> Undetermined	
<b>Fire size:</b> 4,142 acres	<b>Percent Contained:</b> 49%	<b>Incident Commander</b> Bill Neckels	<b>Full Suppression Fire</b>

## Devil's Knob Fire Update for Wednesday, September 18, 2024

### KEY MESSAGES:

The Devil's Knob Fire's total acreage remains unchanged. Containment did not increase yesterday but is expected to increase today as mop-up operations continue. All tethering operations on the south flank of the fire are complete. These tactics reduced risk to firefighters by mitigating the amount of time 20-person crews operate in steep, hazardous terrain. The 1610 Road has been completely graded.

### CURRENT STATUS:

**Resources:** 632; **Crews:** 19; **Engines:** 10; **Dozers:** 4; **Water Tenders:** 8

**Aircraft:** One Type 1 helicopter, one Type 3 helicopter, one unmanned aerial system

The western flank of the fire is fully contained, and resources are being distributed to other divisions to bolster containment efforts. Personnel will continue to patrol the western and northern edges of the fire as crews repair roads following suppression actions. Tree fellers will reduce danger trees and fuels that could carry fire over dozer line.

The goal today is to complete suppression actions in the Flat Creek drainage and continue containment efforts on the eastern flank of the fire near the 1610 Road. This area of the perimeter will require further gridding for mop-up as the spot fires from last week created a complex burn pattern, leaving pockets of unburned vegetation that could reignite in hot, windy conditions.

### WEATHER / FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Relative humidity in the fire area remains extremely high, naturally decreasing fire activity. The chance of precipitation will reach 80% through Wednesday morning with less than a quarter inch of rain expected. The rest of the week will be dry with warmer temperatures in the mid-60s to low 70s and light winds in the forecast. Dry, heavy fuels still exist within the fire perimeter, and crews will be working to identify these areas to prevent fire activity increasing as conditions dry.

### SAFETY AND CLOSURES:

Closures on the Umpqua National Forest can be found at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/umpqua/alerts-notice>.

Umpqua National Forest restrictions can be found at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/umpqua/fire>.

Fire Restrictions for Bureau of Land Management can be found on the [Oregon-Washington blm.gov page](https://www.blm.gov).

Douglas Forest Protective Association restrictions can be found at <https://www.dfpa.net/public-fire-restrictions>.

Oregon Dept. of Forestry restrictions can be found at <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/fire/pages/restrictions.aspx>.

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