

Willamette Complex North Update

Boulder Creek, Ore, Linton Creek, Pyramid, 374, and Roundtop fires

Date: Friday, September 13, 2024

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orwif-north-willamette-complex>

New Willamette Complex North Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565845313387>

Email: 2024.WillametteComplex.North@firenet.gov Information line: 541-208-1262 Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Overview: Clearer skies increase the ability for firefighters to go direct with the support of aircraft providing water drops. The Boulder Creek Fire remains the top priority. A road closure continues for a section of OR 242, and a portion of OR 126 remains closed while conditions are evaluated for safety. Today will be much drier and warmer with high temperatures around 75 in much of the complex with light winds. Fires in the complex had minimal growth overnight. Precise mapping on some of the fires is limited due to recent clouds and rain. Fire-impacted trees are a significant safety risk across the complex for fire crews and the public, with increased fire behavior expected.

Boulder Creek Fire Evacuation Notices

LEVEL 3 (GO NOW) EVACUATION NOTICE: Scott Creek Road

LEVEL 1 (BE READY) EVACUATION NOTICE:

South of Highway 126 from milepost 53.5 east to Scott Creek Road and Horse Creek Road east of Foley Springs, Foley Springs, Forest Service Road #302, Belknap Springs Road South, Camp Yale Road, Yale Lane, North of Highway 126 East from the east end of Drury Lane to the end of North Belknap Springs Road

Evacuation Notice Source: Visit www.LaneCountyOR.gov or use [this link](#).

Boulder Creek: 501 acres, 0% contained

Located 5 miles east of McKenzie Bridge. Structure protection work is near completion with areas around cabins cleared of easily ignited fuels. Crews are going direct on the fire where safe and taking advantage of the recent rain to find opportunities.

Ore: 3,461 acres, 44% contained

Located 7 miles northeast of Blue River. Chipping and removal of fuels continues. Successful firing operations were completed and will be expanded as conditions allow.

Linton Creek: 1,288 acres, 0% contained

Located in the Three Sisters Wilderness northeast of Eileen Lake. Clear air will likely provide opportunity for crews to better access the fire. Structures in the area are being evaluated. Ground and aerial firefighting will continue.

Pyramid: 1,311 Acres, 98% contained

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness. Securing containment line continues with chipping of burnable fuels.

374: 47 acres, 0% contained

This fire is also in the Three Sisters Wilderness, northwest of Packsaddle Mountain. 14 smokejumpers are assigned to the fire with the goal of keeping the fire as small as possible by working on control lines near the fire.

Roundtop: Near the 374 Fire and Little Roundtop Mountain. It was kept at a quarter acre and fully contained.

Road Closures: Due to the Boulder Creek Fire, OR 126 is closed between mileposts 13 and 19.5 (intersection with OR 242). OR 242 remains closed to all traffic indefinitely between the intersection with OR 126 and the Dee Wright Observatory (mileposts 55 to 75), in the area of the Linton Creek Fire. Use an alternate route; do not divert onto forest roads to avoid closures. Check for updates at: <https://tripcheck.com/>

Willamette National Forest Area Closures: Due to increased fire activity in the McKenzie River Ranger District, the Linton Creek Fire closure area was expanded to include Boulder Creek, 374, Roundtop, as well as other fires on the Middle Fork Ranger District including Young Grasshopper and Lowell Creek fires. Source: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029>.

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