Willamette Complex North Update

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

Date: Sunday, September 15, 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: There was minimal fire activity overnight, with fires holding within containment lines. The Boulder Creek Fire remains the priority for fire crews. Containment increased on the Ore Fire. Heavy fuels continue to show fire activity. Periods of sun could increase fire movement and create smoke. The forecast is for patchy clouds and light rain with highs around the mid-60s in the fire area. Tomorrow California Complex Incident Management Team 13 hands over command of the Willamette Complex North to Northern Rockies Complex Incident Management Team 6. It has been about one week since four fires were added to the North Complex, and CACIIMT 13 wants to thank firefighters, support crews, and the Willamette National Forest for the hard work and dedication to safely contain the fires with no structures lost.

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, 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: 511 acres, 0% contained

Located 5 miles east of McKenzie Bridge. There is still heat in the fire area near OR 126. Crews continue to prevent the fire from crossing OR 126 and impacting the Scott Creek Road system. Hand crews are connecting dozer line to further secure the fire.

Ore: 3,474 acres, 76% contained

Located 7 miles northeast of Blue River. Containment went up thanks to work on the ground. Minimal fire activity. Chipping and removal of fuels continues.

Linton Creek: 1,301 acres, 0% contained

Located in the Three Sisters Wilderness northeast of Eileen Lake. Fire activity popped up in areas previously hit by lightning strikes from a recent storm. Those spots have been lined and are not expected to expand.

Pyramid: 1,311 Acres, 98% contained

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness. The Pyramid is holding within control lines. Chipping of burnable fuels remains the focus as the fire nears full containment.

374: 58 acres, 0% contained

This fire is also in the Three Sisters Wilderness, northwest of Packsaddle Mountain. 18 smokejumpers are now assigned to the fire. They continue to improve trail systems to create a box around the fire.

Roundtop: Less than one acre, 100% contained

Near the 374 Fire and Little Roundtop Mountain. No heat detected.

Road Closures: OR 126 is now open to one-lane traffic 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.

