Willamette Complex North Update

Boulder Creek, Ore, Linton Creek, Pyramid, 374, and Roundtop fires
Date: Thursday, September 12, 2024
InciWeb: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orwif-north-willamette-complex</u>
Willamette Complex North Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565845313387</u>
Email: 2024.WillametteComplex.North@firenet.gov Information line: 541-208-1262 Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Overview: Rain of up to an inch fell over the complex in the last 24 hours. This decreased fire behavior with minimal fire activity overnight. Limited spread is expected today, with some smoke visible. 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. The Boulder Creek Fire reached OR 126 and crews continue to clear hazard trees. Today the rain will taper off with clouds, light winds, and highs in the mid-50s. Fire crews are using the day as an opportunity to make additional progress on containment lines.

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

Linton Creek Fire Evacuation Notices

Level 3 (GO NOW) EVACUATION NOTICE: Pacific Crest Trail near Linton Meadow and near Husband Lake

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 has been underway. Crews are going direct on the fire where possible and safe.

Ore: 3461 acres, 44% contained

Located 7 miles northeast of Blue River. Crews continue to improve containment lines. Pockets of unburned fuel remain that could still pose minimal threat to containment lines.

Linton Creek: 1288 acres, 0% contained

Located in the Three Sisters Wilderness northeast of Eileen Lake. Rainy weather helped decrease fire behavior.

Pyramid Fire: 1,311 Acres, 98% contained

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness. Hauling out fuels to secure containment lines continues.

374: 47 acres, 0% contained

This fire is also in the Three Sisters Wilderness, northwest of Packsaddle Mountain. Smokejumpers are assigned to the fire and trails are being prepped as containment lines.

Roundtop: Near the 374 Fire and Little Roundtop Mountain. It was kept at a quarter acre and near full containment.

Road Closures: Due to the Boulder 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 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: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd552029</u>.