

Willamette Complex North Update

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



Fire Update for Thursday, September 26 through Friday, September 27, 2024

Fire updates will be provided for a two-day operational period.

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

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: The fire areas are experiencing cooler temperatures and an increase in humidity, forecasted for the next few days. Crews were limited in their work Wednesday as .10 to .75 inches of rain fell in the fire areas, bringing with it gusting winds with the potential to bring down fire-weakened trees. Thursday, firefighters are continuing suppression repair work. Fuel moistures will continue to limit fire activity. Little to no fire growth is anticipated within the North Complex over the next few days. Willamette National Forest has rescinded fire restrictions and campfires are once again allowed outside of developed campgrounds and restrictions on chainsaws, off-highway vehicles, and smoking have been lifted. It is still critical to completely extinguish campfires until they are cold to the touch, even with the reduced fire risk.

Boulder Creek: 523 acres, 51% contained

Located 5 miles east of McKenzie Bridge. Fire behavior was minimal yesterday, but firefighters are still locating and addressing hotspots. Mastication has been completed and firefighters will continue to mop up containment lines and fire suppression repair work. Crews are pulling hose and removing excess equipment.

Ore: 3,484 acres, 80% contained

Located 7 miles northeast of Blue River. Ore Fire received about ½" of rain yesterday. Crews are engaged in suppression repair work. Fire activity has remained low.

374: 62 acres, 0% contained and Linton Creek: 1,309 acres, 0% contained

Located in the Three Sisters Wilderness. These fires received rain yesterday and fire activity has remained minimal. Despite the warm weather on Tuesday, these fires have remained in their footprints adjacent to natural barriers and previous fire scars. Both fires will continue to be in a monitoring status, with no additional action needed at this time.

Pyramid: 1,312 Acres, 100% contained

East of Middle Santiam Wilderness. This fire received about ¾" of rain yesterday and remains fully contained with minimal fire behavior and scattered areas of heat in the interior of the fire area. Firefighters are continuing with suppression repairs. Tomorrow, Northern Rockies Incident Management Team 6 will be transitioning this fire back to Willamette National Forest and Type 4 organization.

Willamette National Forest Area Closures: Forest officials are continually evaluating closure orders and will adjust as conditions allow. Fire-related closures remain in place on the McKenzie River Ranger District, as well as on the Middle Fork Ranger District in the immediate fire operations area for public and firefighter safety. Please respect and avoid all closed areas of the national forest.

Source: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/fire/?cid=fseprd552029>.

Road Closures: OR-242 remains closed to all traffic between the intersection with OR-126 and the Dee Wright Observatory (mileposts 55 to 75). For current road conditions, please check Oregon Department of Transportation's website: <https://www.tripcheck.com/>.