

# Willamette Complex North

## Daily Update

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**Sunday September 1, 2024**

**SUPPRESSION OBJECTIVES:** The Ore Fire and the Pyramid Fire remain under a full suppression strategy to protect values at risk, including the Middle Santiam Wilderness and private timberlands. Firefighters are building direct fire line where possible, and strategic indirect containment line as needed.

**CURRENT SITUATION:** Unmanned aerial systems were utilized for aerial ignition in the Waterfall Creek drainage, with crews lighting by hand on the ground. This work is necessary to remove unburned fuel between the fire's edge and the containment lines. Firefighters worked to clean up fuels on the ground along the 1509 road to secure the spot fire. The public should expect to see smoke from the Ore and Waterfall drainages with the warming and drying trend this weekend. Sunday afternoon into the evening may bring some showers with isolated thunderstorms. An onshore flow Monday will bring cooler temperatures and higher humidities creating moderating conditions. Aircraft assigned to the North Willamette Complex will be utilized by the District and Forest for initial attack to put out any new starts.

**Ore Fire: 7 miles Northeast of Blue River, 3,271 acres, 40% contained, 647 total personnel, human caused.** Crews continued to work above the 1509 road where the spot fire was reported two days ago. The felling of hazardous trees around the line is nearing completion for firefighters to mitigate overhead safety concerns. Firefighters look to gain containment depth in the spot fire and advance the mop up depth from the line. Crews are identifying hot spots with potential to reburn and are working to ensure that the fire line is secure. Night crews continue to patrol and look for opportunities to suppress fire, secure and mop up as conditions allow. Chipping and processing of fuels progresses throughout the contingency lines.

**Pyramid Fire: East of Middle Santiam Wilderness, 1,312 Acres, 98% contained, 213 total personnel, lightning caused.** Hauling of material to be chipped and mastication will continue today. Crews and heavy equipment work to move the fuels created from suppression related activities away from the fire and secure established containment lines.

**CLOSURES & FIRE RESTRICTIONS UPDATE:** Willamette National Forest closures for all fires can be found here: [Willamette National Forest - Alerts & Closures \(usda.gov\)](#) Specific closure maps for the Pyramid Fire can be [found here](#). Specific closure maps for the Ore Fire can be [found here](#).

**Everyone is reminded to stay out of all fire closures for firefighter and general safety. Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of up to \$5,000.** All campfires, charcoal fires, pellet fires, or any other open fires are [prohibited](#), including in developed campgrounds and wilderness areas. Pressurized liquid or gas stoves, lanterns, and heaters that can be switched on and off are allowed. Please see [Forest Order 06-18-00-24-27](#) for additional information.