## Homestead Complex and Lane 1 Fires Daily Update



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Firefighters are using direct and indirect tactics to fully suppress eight fires, totaling approximately 35,682 acres. 745 people are assigned to the Homestead Complex and Lane 1 fires. The Salmon 33 Fire (275 acres), Reynolds Butte Fire (334 acres) and Lost Bucket Fire (34 acres) have all been 100% contained. Two helicopters are supporting crews on the ground, dropping buckets of water as needed.

Crews are improving containment lines across the fire area by reducing fuels through mastication, chipping wood, and hauling fuels to landings away from the fire. There are still many miles of uncontained fire edge. Firefighters are mopping up, widening and strengthening fire lines by extinguishing hot spots and removing fuels. Crews are also clearing and repairing roads impacted by the fires and by fire suppression activities. The goal of these fire suppression and repair efforts is to protect the values at risk: communities and infrastructure; private timber lands; and public resources, including recreation opportunities and fish spawning habitat.

On the **Horse Heaven Fire (2,741 acres, 56% containment)**, crews are starting mastication at the northwest fire edge and continuing to masticate along the 3829 road so that feature can serve as a future control line. Firefighters continue mopping up on the north and east flanks of the fire. Several engines and hose lays are supporting the firefighters by supplying water to the area.

On the **Fuller Lake (3,690 acres, 0% containment)** and **Bullpup (535 acres, 7% containment) fires**, a chipper and excavator are working on the 300 road. At the northwest flank, engines are maintaining and rehabilitating pumps to ensure they are ready to work directly at the fire edge. On the west flank, firefighters have placed plumbing around the fingers of the fire and are checking those several times daily. Three masticators are working south on the 3810 road, followed by a crew and chippers. There was minimal smoke at the southeast corner yesterday. Crews are removing snags on the east flank along the 5851 road.

On the **No Man Fire (2,090 acres, 44% containment)**, some interior heat and smoke remain near Chilcoot Mountain. This fire activity is not threatening control lines. Firefighters are mopping up at the southeast fire edge, patrolling the east flank, and chipping along the north flank, working toward the Salmon 33 fire.

On the Lane 1 Fire (25,951 acres, 99% containment) crews are grading parts of the 2328, 900, and Clark Creek roads, with excavators working behind them. They are chipping along the east flank, hauling logs from the Fairview area, reviewing structure protections, repairing roads, and putting water bars across dozer lines.

**Closures and fire restrictions:** Two closure orders impact every District of the Umpqua National Forest <u>https://t.ly/Mvn6G</u>. The forest is in High Fire Danger with Public Use Restrictions at Level 2 <u>https://t.ly/Ll4cd</u>. Tomorrow at 12:01am the forest will move to Moderate Fire Danger and remove all Public Use Restrictions. A Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Roseburg District closure order is in effect for portions of BLM land bordering the Umpqua National Forest closure north of Steamboat <u>https://t.ly/uWX6l</u>. A BLM Northwest Oregon District closure is also in place for an area west of the Lane 1 fire <u>https://t.ly/oW1IG</u>.

**Weather:** At 3,500 feet elevation, the forecast is warm and dry today with light winds after patchy morning fog. The warming and drying trend will continue through this week, reaching into the 80s on Tuesday, with relative humidity dipping to 28 percent. As fuels dry out, the potential for some fire spread increases. Those living, working or recreating in the area may see additional smoke.