

Homestead Complex and Lane 1 Fires Daily Update



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Firefighters are using direct and indirect tactics to suppress eight fires, totaling approximately 35,721 acres. The Lane 1 fire is 99% contained. The Homestead Complex of fires is 35% contained overall. 766 people are assigned to the Homestead Complex and Lane 1 fires.

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. Aerial infrared detection yesterday located additional hot spots that crews will address today. 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**, a masticator is working north on the 3829 road, with a crew chipping and removing brush behind. A crew hiked in from the southwest to evaluate hoses and pumps and determine how to remove any unneeded equipment. On the north flank, firefighters continue checking on hot spots. Infrared mapping shows no additional hot spots in that area. On the east flank, crews are grading roads and masticating and chipping fuels.

On the **Fuller Lake and Bullpup Fires**, a chipper and excavator are working on the 200 and 300 roads on the north flank. On the west flank of the fire, crews are chipping fuels and installing water bars on dozer lines. On the east flank, firefighters are mopping up along the fire edge. There was debris from a slide blocking the 3810 road that a dozer removed yesterday to restore access. A type 1 helicopter dropped water at the southeast fire edge yesterday to keep the fire in check.

On the **No Man Fire**, infrared detection showed heat near the finger on the west flank within 100 yards of the fire line. Firefighters yesterday took care of it. Today, crews are repairing dozer line on the south flank. They are using an excavator to scatter vegetation and close fire lines and old road beds near Chilcoot Mountain.

On the **Lane 1 Fire**, an engine and crew addressed a pocket of heat yesterday near the northeast edge. At the south flank, crews are placing water bars on the Canton Creek Road to improve future drainage. On the 2328 road, chipping and road repairs are nearly complete and road grading will start today. Firefighters removed unneeded structure protection equipment from the Bohemia Mine District yesterday.

Closures and fire restrictions: Two closure orders impact every District of the Umpqua National Forest <https://t.ly/Mvn6G>. The forest is in Moderate Fire Danger with no Public Use Restrictions <https://t.ly/LI4cd>. 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 <https://t.ly/uWX6l>. A BLM Northwest Oregon District closure is also in place for an area west of the Lane 1 fire <https://t.ly/oW1IG>.

Weather: Today's predicted forecast at 3,500 feet is a high of 72 degrees with 31 percent relative humidity. Tomorrow's high temperature is predicted to be 75 degrees, and it will reach 83 degrees on Tuesday. As fuels dry out, there is increased potential for some fire spread and additional smoke. Wednesday starts a cooling trend, with higher humidity, but there is no rain in the forecast.