



Pincer Two Fire

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11:00 AM, September 6, 2024

Estimated size: 211 acres
Start Date/Time: July 17, 2024

Area of Origin: Johannesburg Mountain. 1 Mile East of Mineral Park C.G.

Cause: Lightning

Fuels/Topography: Timber, rugged terrain

Structures Damaged: None, there are no homes threatened at this time.

Evacuations: None

Closures: Cascade River Road at and including Marble Creek Campground, Mineral Park Campground, and all tributary roads, trailheads, and trails are all closed. The public is not to enter the area for public and firefighter safety. Full closure orders available at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/mbs

Update: The Red Flag warning for hot, dry conditions on Thursday, September 5 led to increased activity on the southeast slope of the fire. Sustained east winds between 5-10mph on the ridge tops and low relative humidities were present. A reconnaissance flight is planned for the morning of Friday, September 6 to track any fire growth and assess fire behavior. Increased fire activity is expected in the next few days as the Red Flag warning continues until 11pm PST Friday night, and warm temperatures are forecasted over the weekend. Firefighters will continue to track any rolling debris and hot spots and monitor fire behavior over the weekend.

Weather: On Friday, September 6, hot, dry and unstable conditions linger due to upper ridging aloft and a thermal trough at the surface. Easterly winds at times are also a concern, but speeds should remain below critical thresholds. This offshore flow will once again hinder RH recoveries tonight. Saturday will prove transitional, where onshore flow returns but it may not have much effect on temperatures or RH values. Cooler conditions and increasing moisture expected to be more impactful Sunday and into next week. High temperature around 88°F, with east winds between 5-6 mph shifting west in the afternoon. On Saturday, September 7, the high temperature will be around 91°F, with southeast winds between 5-6mph.

Smoke: For more information on smoke and air quality please visit: https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/

Air Space Restrictions: There are no air space restrictions at this time.

Forest Restrictions: The Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie has lifted the full campfire ban and forest-wide shooting restrictions, effective 8/28/2024. Additional details at: www.fs.usda.gov/mbs