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Tiger Creek Fire Daily Update

Oct. 15, 2024

Fire Information: 509-213-5793 | Email: 2024.tigercreek@firenet.gov Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61566629887119</u> InciWeb at: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/orumf-tiger-creek-fire</u>

Current Situation: The Tiger Creek fire remains at 534 acres, containment has jumped to 83%, and personnel assigned to the fire has fallen to 270. Yesterday, spot fires to the southwest of Low Ridge were put out with helicopters and handline. While the fire remains in its current footprint, most of the work is now on mop up and backhaul of equipment. Water bars have been installed and hazardous trees cut down on much of Forest Service Road 65.

A total of 15 miles of fire hose was utilized on the Tiger Creek Fire. This is the equivalent of the driving distance between Walla Walla and Kooskooskie, or 265 football fields! All of that hose is now being pulled back from the fire area to be treated and inspected for reuse.

<u>Closures and Restrictions</u>: Access through Forest Service Road (FSR) 65 up through FSR 64 to the junction with Indian Camp is closed. Government Mountain Road/FSR 6511 is closed from North Fork Walla Walla trailhead to the junction with FSR 65 at Tiger Saddle. Government Mountain Rd/FSR 6511 is open from the west to North Fork Walla Walla trailhead. The current fire danger rating is **MODERATE** and public use restrictions phase A for Umatilla National Forest are in effect. For more information regarding restrictions, please contact Umatilla National Forest Toll-free Information Hotline: 1.877.958.9663.

<u>Weather</u>: It will remain sunny with temperatures in the 60s and 70s during the day, with winds about 9 miles per hour, but a cold front will arrive on Tuesday night and bring with it some precipitation, starting out as a light rain, with snow showers later at higher elevations. Wednesday has a 100% chance of precipitation and temperatures in the 50s.

<u>Smoke</u>: Walla Walla's air quality for today is good, some residents along Mill Creek may experience smoke as the fire continues to burn. Check out <u>https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/?m=1</u> for more information.