Goosmus Fire Update October 3rd, 2024



Quick FactsSize: 1,738 acresStart Date: September 25, 2024Cause: PowerlineLocation: Initial Fire started approximately 4.5 Miles south of Danville, WAContainment: 57%Personnel: 272Fire Strategy: Full suppression

The Goosmus Fire is burning between Big Goosmus Road and Danville and along the United States and Canadian Boundary. The Goosmus Fire started at approximately at 2:30pm and spread rapidly north, primarily driven by winds as a cold front passed through the area.

Yesterday, crews continued making progress identifying and falling hazard trees along local roads and the fire line. Crews have been working with Palm IR units on the eastern and western flanks, helping them to identify remaining smoldering material that could threaten containment and extinguishing them.

Today, interior pockets are continuing to consume material and overall fire behavior with visible smoke is reducing. Crews will continue to work inward up to 100 feet from the fireline to extinguish remaining smoldering materials. Palm IR units continue to work northward to identify smoldering pockets of material to help crews finalize containment. Rehabilitation of non-primary containment lines (dozer lines or hand lines that are not used to contain the fire) are being evaluated for equipment or crew needs for completion. The State Mobilize engine strike teams are demobilizing and returning to their home districts.

The fire investigation has determined that the cause of the fire was non-negligence, green tree striking a powerline near Highway 21, during the wind event on September 25th.

Evacuations and Closures:

All Evacuation Levels have been removed as of 9:00AM on October 3rd, 2024

Roads: Big Goosmus Road and 4th of July Creek Road are closed to the public (<u>LOCAL RESIDENCE ACCESS</u> <u>ONLY</u>)

Weather: High 66/Low 35: Mostly sunny with afternoon temperatures in the 60's. West to northwest winds will stay in the teens through early evening. Winds will be lighter and terrain driven. A cold front on Friday will bring gusty winds.



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