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Six fires within the Homestead and Diamond Complexes remain under active management by Northwest Team 12. Firefighting resources from the Homestead/Diamond Complexes remain available for initial attack response to new fire starts in the area as needed. Public safety closures will remain in effect while heavy equipment continues working on roads and there is still active fire behavior.

The Oregon Department of Transportation temporarily lowered the speed limit on Hwy 138 in front of the Fire Incident Command Post just east of Glide to 45 MPH for the safety of firefighters and community residents.

Homestead Complex: 10,687 acres, 35% contained | Diamond Complex: 11,141 acres, 90% contained | Total personnel: 285

Fires were active again yesterday, especially where winds and slope aligned. Conditions are expected to be similar today with potential for cooler temperatures and higher humidity later in the week which will moderate fire behavior.

On the **Horse Heaven Fire**, crews continue to patrol and monitor fire activity. As fire activity picked up yesterday, a heavy helicopter responded and dropped approximately 15,000 gallons of water to hold the fire on the east side of Horse Heaven Creek drainage. Today, firefighters will be completing indirect fireline repair and will backhaul excess suppression equipment. Grading operations along multiple Forest Service Roads (FSRs) are ongoing.

The **Fuller Lake Fire** remains active within the Boulder Creek Wilderness, with short-distance spotting and isolated tree torching still possible. The fire continues to slowly move toward FSR 3810. Sawyer teams continue to identify and remove hazard trees to ensure safe work areas for firefighters. Chipping is also ongoing along FSR 3851. Today, a helicopter will be removing radio transmission equipment via long-line external cargo load from the Illahee Lookout area. Road cleanup is going smoothly on the **Bullpup Fire**, with FSR 3816 complete and others still in progress. As road work wraps up, equipment is being relocated to assist on other fires.

Firefighters have successfully kept the **No Man Fire** in check and only smoldering and creeping fire within established control lines remains.

Two fires remain uncontained on the Diamond Complex. On the **Potter Fire**, excavators are clearing ditches along FSR 100 and grading operations are ongoing. The **Pine Bench Fire** continues to show no smoke.

Closures: The Umpqua National Forest revised the fire closure area on Friday. Please respect area closure orders for your safety as well as the safety of our firefighters. The updated Umpqua National Forest closure and map can be found at <u>https://tinyurl.com/bmtfvvz6.</u> The BLM Roseburg District closure order also remains in place <u>https://t.ly/uWX6I.</u> A Temporary Flight Restriction remains in effect <u>https://bit.ly/3XJL0cD.</u>

Weather: Temperatures today are forecasted to be 76-82 degrees in the valleys, with cooler weather returning tomorrow.