Red Fire July 31, 2024 Daily Fire Update



Online: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/ordef-red-fire

Facebook – 2024 Red Fire Information Fire Information Line: 541-208-1766, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM Email: <u>2024.red@firenet.gov</u>

Red Fire Quick Facts

Size: 436 acresOrigin: 5 miles west of Crescent Lake Junction, OregonCounty: KlamathStart Date: July 17, 2024Cause: LightningContainment: 0%Total Personnel: 229

Today's Highlight:

Operations: Firefighters worked with a woodchippers yesterday to reduce fuels around the Odell Lake Resort and continued work on establishing fuel breaks and tracking and assessing resources along the Union Pacific Railroad in the Odell Lake area. Hand crews have completed nearly 50% of the shaded fuel break between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake. Firefighters worked with a dozer to improve the access route along Forest Service Road 6010 and have completed four acres of brush removal in the past week.

Today, fire crews will finish reducing the grasses, brush, small trees and low-level limbs that serve as ladder fuels, which can carry fire into the crowns of trees, around the Odell Lake Resort. A chipper will assist hand crews in reducing similar vegetation in between Forest Service Road 60 road and residences. Structure and infrastructure protection along the Union Pacific Railroad in the Odell Lake area and work on the shaded fuel break between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake will continue today. Firefighters and felling crews will continue clearing snags and hazards. A Deschutes National Forest resource advisor is working with the firefighters to protect significant habitats, resources, and water quality.

Round Mountain & Wickiup Fires:

Please be aware fire operations will continue in the area of these fires. The Round Mountain Fire remains at 108 acres and is 75% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol and mop-up and have started repair work.

The Wickiup Fire remains at 168 acres. Firefighters continue to patrol and mop-up hotspots. The fire is 85% contained. **Deschutes County Sherriff's Office lifts evacuation order around the Wickiup Fire** – July 30, 2024 - After consultation with the Incident Management Team of the Wickiup and Round Mountain Fires, the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is dropping all evacuation levels around the Wickiup Fire. This includes the Haner Park area and the Deschutes National Forest between Forest Service Road 4262 and Forest Service Road 44, south of South Century Drive (FS 42) and Burgess Road (FS 43). Temporary Forest Closures remain in effect for areas around the <u>Wickiup Fire</u> and <u>Round Mountain Fire</u>.

Closures – The Deschutes National Forest has implemented an emergency closure around Crescent Lake and in the Diamond Peak Wilderness. Closure information is available at: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/deschutes/alerts-notices/?aid=89091</u>

Evacuation Notices – The *WILDFIRE! Level 1 – BE READY to Evacuate* notice issued by Klamath County Emergency Management for the Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, and Crescent Junction area remains in effect (INCENDIO FORESTAL! Nivel 1 - ESTÉ PREPARADO para evacuar de las siguientes zonas: Crescent Lake, Odell Lake, Crescent Junction). For information, or to sign up for alerts, visit: <u>www.klamathcounty.org/300/emergency-management</u>

Fire Restrictions – Stage 2 Public Use Fire Restrictions which prohibit open fires, including in developed campgrounds, are in effect for the Deschutes National Forest. Visit the Deschutes National Forest's website <u>fs.usda.gov/detail/deschutes/home/?cid=stelprdb5297376</u> for more information. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level is currently Level IV "General Shutdown".

Weather: Dense fog this morning, then sunny with light winds for the remainder of the day, temps in the 80s.

Smoke: Smoke from the Red Fire and other area fires will continue to impact air quality. Air quality information can be found at <u>https://fire.airnow.gov/</u>.