Red Fire August 3, 2024 Daily Fire Update



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Red Fire Quick Facts

Size: 480 acres	Start Date: July 17, 2024
County: Klamath	Cause: Lightning
Containment: 0%	Total Staff: 323

Origin: 5 miles west of Crescent Lake Junction, OR Shaded Fuel Break Completed: 1.5 miles Hand Line Completed: 0.8 miles

Operations: The Red Fire continued to show moderate fire behavior and had marginal growth despite the increased fire weather conditions yesterday. Crews have completed the structure protection assessments around Odell Lake Resort and surrounding homes and are preparing structure protection gear that can be deployed if needed. Firefighters continued expanding the shaded fuel break northward between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake and have completed 1.5 miles between the Crescent Lake resort and the Crescent Lake State Airport. Based on improved mapping data, the shaded fuel break is now estimated to be 75% complete. Crews have also completed 35 out of 100 acres of ladder fuel reduction between Forest Service Road 60 and the residential service road by removing grass, brush, small trees, and low-level limbs that can convey fire into tree canopies. Road crews continued to improve Forest Service Road 6010 with a dozer, making it safer and more accessible for heavy equipment. Over 550 structure assessments have been completed. Road improvement work expanded to Summit Lake to facilitate access for heavy equipment and safety for firefighters.

Today, firefighters will resume their efforts to protect homes, natural resources, and road and railroad infrastructure. Crews will continue extending the shaded fuel break between Crescent Lake and Odell Lake and removing ladder fuels between Forest Service Road 60 and the residential service road, which will help create defensible space for residences in the area.

Round Mountain & Wickiup Fires: Please be aware fire operations will continue around these fires. Round Mountain Fire is 108 acres and 85% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol, mop-up, and complete repair work. The Wickiup Fire is 168 acres and 90% contained. Firefighters continue to patrol and mop-up.

Deschutes County Sheriff's Office lifted the evacuation order around the Wickiup Fire. The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office has dropped 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 (FSR 42) and Burgess Road (FSR 43). Temporary emergency closures around the Wickiup Fire decreased to open Bull Bend & Wyeth Campgrounds and Tenino Boat Launch. Temporary emergency 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 areas 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: Cloudier conditions today with temps near 80 degrees and 40% RH, and west winds gusting up to 15 mph.

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>.