

Red Fire

July 29, 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

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Red Fire Quick Facts

Size: 428 acres **Origin:** 5 miles west of Crescent Lake Junction, Oregon **County:** Klamath

Start Date: July 17, 2024 **Cause:** Lightning **Containment:** 0% **Total Personnel:** 234

Today's Highlight: Thank you to the more than 200 people who attended the community meeting hosted at the Central Cascades Fire and EMS station and online last night.

Operations: Yesterday, firefighters continued working on felling trees and removing snags along Forest Service Road 60 and Forest Service Road 6010. Fire crews also continued working on constructing the shaded fuel break along the boundary of the Diamond Peak Wilderness. These operations will continue today.

Today, fire crews are scouting the area along the Union Pacific Railroad along Odell Lake and are looking for ways to prep the landscape around railroad structures in the fire area to protect railroad infrastructure. Hand crews will use leaf blowers and other tools to remove excessive pine needle build-up around the structures in the Crescent Lake area. Tree felling crews will continue to remove snags along Forest Service Roads 6010 and 6020. Fire crews are scouting the northwest side of the fire to develop a plan that will establish a fuel break. The planning will help provide additional protection from the nearby Homestead Complex and Diamond Complex wildfires. A remote weather station will be set up in the vicinity Crescent Lake. The Remote Automated Weather Station will provide timely weather updates to crews in remote areas of the fire.

Round Mountain & Wickiup Fires:

The Round Mountain Fire remains 108 acres and is 73% contained.

The Wickiup Fire remains 168 acres and is 82% contained.

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

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: www.klamathcounty.org/300/emergency-management

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 fs.usda.gov/detail/deschutes/home/?cid=stelprdb5297376 for more information. The Industrial Fire Precaution Level is currently Level IV "General Shutdown".

Weather: A weak front associated with low pressure will impact the fire area with increasing clouds at the front of the storm. Humidity levels will be 40% with possible light sprinkles in the afternoon and evening but will not be a wetting rain. Heavy smoke will continue to impact the fire area. Winds will remain very light in the morning hours with development of 20-25 mph northwest winds in the afternoon.

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