



Central Cascades Interagency Management Team

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Whisky Creek Fire Daily Update

August 1, 2024

Size: 891 acres

Cause: Human – Under Investigation

Containment: 0%

Total Personnel: 333

Start Date: July 20, 2024

Location: 6 miles SE of Cascade Locks, OR

Fuels: Scrub oak, timber, and grass

Highlights:

Moderate fire behavior was observed over the fire yesterday. A ridge of high pressure will build over the region today bringing warmer and drier temperatures to the area. Visible increased smoke production is expected. There have been no recent IR flights over the fire. The acreage size of the fire will be updated as information becomes available.

Operations:

Crews continue to do good work preparing containment lines and clearing roads and trails to the south along the Rainy-Wahtum Trail #409 from Rainy Lake to Wahtum Lake and continuing to the PCT approximately one mile to the 2017 Eagle Creek Fire burn area. Crews are clearing thick brush along roads with the assistance of masticators to create fire breaks. To the east of the fire, crews continue to strengthen contingency lines. These lines will potentially be utilized for a firing operation over the weekend. The communities in Hood River should expect to see increased smoke from Whisky Creek Fire due to those potential firing operations.

Fire Behavior and Weather:

Warmer and drier temperatures are predicted to move into the region today and is expected to increase fire activity and smoke production.

Road and Trail Closures:

The Mt. Hood National Forest and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area have expanded a joint emergency closure for the fire area to include the Pacific Crest Trail and areas south of I-84. Closure information can be found at: [Whisky Creek Fire Closures in Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness](#). Hood River County has closures in effect for Kingsley Campground, Kingsley Road, Dead Point Road, and Green Point Road viewable on their [website](#).

Total Fire Resources Assigned:

- Approx. 333 personnel, 9 hand crews, 5 water tenders, 3 dozers, 5 masticators and 1 helicopter.

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