



KLAMATHON FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

Date: 7/9/2018 Time: 7:00 a.m.



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INCIDENT FACTS

Incident Start Date: 7/5/2018		Incident Start Time: 12:31 p.m.
Incident Type: Vegetation Fire		Cause: Under Investigation
Incident Location: Off Klamathon Road and Copco Road, near Hornbrook, California		
CAL FIRE Unit: Siskiyou Unit		
Unified Command Agencies: CAL FIRE, Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office, Oregon Department of Forestry		
Size: 35,250 acres	Containment: 30%	Expected Full Containment: Unknown
Civilian Injuries:		Firefighter Injuries: 3
Civilian Fatalities: 1		Firefighter Fatalities:
Structures Threatened: 810	Structures Destroyed: 81	Structures Damaged: 12

CURRENT SITUATION

Situation Summary:	Moderate fire behavior is expected for this morning and this afternoon. The Klamath River Country Estates continue to be threatened. The West and North flank will continue to have short range spotting in the timber stands when strong ridge top winds surface in the afternoons; this continues to threaten the communities of Hilt, Colestin and Jackson County, OR. The southern flank should hold North of the Klamath River and in the town of Hornbrook. Completed line on the east flank will mitigate the threat to Iron Gate Reservoir Estates. Fire activity will be isolated to the West and Northern flanks. These flanks are in timber and in upper elevations. The communities of Hilt and Colestin along with the Horseshoe Ranch Wildlife Area, Klamath Forest, Soda Mountain Wilderness and Cascade Siskiyou National Monument will be threatened.
Evacuations:	CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS: Evacuation Orders: The communities of Hornbrook, Hilt, Colestin and Irongate Reservoir. Klamath River Community Estates: east of Black Mountain to Desavado Road, south of Copco Road and Ager Beswick Road. East Iron Gate Reservoir Estates: Areas south of Iron Gate Reservoir/Copco Road, north of Ager/Beswick Road, west of Desavato Road and east of Snackenbury Creek. Copco Lake Area: Areas east of Jenny/Fall Creek, south of the Oregon State Line, north of Copco Road and west of Topsey Grade.

	<p>Evacuation Warnings: Pheasant Valley area: East of Interstate 5, south of the summit of Black Mountain, west of Ager and north of Yreka Ager Road. Airport Road area: Southwest of York Road, west of Airport Road, north of Shelly Road and east of Ager Road. Bogus Creek area: South of Ager Beswick Road, east of York Road and west of Bogus Creek.</p> <p>OREGON RESIDENTS: The following area in Jackson County will be placed at a Level 3 (red) "Go" evacuation notice: The area east of Interstate 5, covering Bureau of Land Management lands and private properties west of the Jackson-Klamath County line, north of the Oregon-California border, and south of a line that extends from the intersection of I-5 and the Mount Ashland Ski Road due east to the Jackson-Klamath County line.</p> <p>The following areas in Jackson County will be placed at a Level 2 (yellow) "Be Set" evacuation notice: The area east of Interstate 5, covering Bureau of Land Management lands and private properties west of the Jackson-Klamath County line, north of the line that extends from the intersection of I-5 and the Mount Ashland Ski Road due east to the Jackson-Klamath County line (the Level 3 evacuation line), north to Highway 66.</p> <p>As a reminder, the following areas in Jackson County are currently at a Level 3 (red) "Go" evacuation notice: The Colestin Valley including the Colestin Road and all its tributaries from the Oregon-California border to the Mount Ashland Ski Road. Old Highway 99 from the Oregon-California border to the Mount Ashland Ski Road.</p> <p>In addition, the following areas will remain at a Level 2 (yellow) "Be Set" evacuation notice: The Mount Ashland Ski Road from Mount Ashland down to Old Highway 99. Old Highway 99 to just Callahan's Lodge.</p>			
Evacuation Center(s):	Jackson Street Elementary School, 405 Jackson St, Yreka, CA 96097			
Road Closures:	Ager Rd at Klamathon Road, Ager Rd at Shelly, Copco Rd at Ager Road, Copco Road at I5, Klamathon Road at I5, Hilt at I5, Ditch Creek Road at I5			
Animal Evac. Center(s):	<p>Small Animals can be taken to Jackson Street Elementary School at 405 Jackson Street, Yreka, CA 96097</p> <p>Large Animal Shelter: Siskiyou County Fairgrounds, 1712 Fairlane Rd, Yreka, CA 96097</p>			
ASSIGNED RESOURCES				
Engines: 199	Water Tenders: 21	Helicopters: 14	Hand Crews: 80	Dozers: 26
Total Personnel: 2716				
Air Tankers:	Numerous firefighting air tankers from throughout both States are flying fire suppression missions as conditions allow.			
Cooperating Agencies: Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office; CAL OES; California Highway Patrol; CALTRANS; California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; American Red Cross; Pacific Power & Light; National Weather Service; California Conservation Corps, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Medford BLM, Redding BLM, Oregon Department of Transportation, Oregon State Police, Klamath National Forest, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, Siskiyou County Animal Control, Fruitgrowers Timberland Co-Op.				

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