



Update-Thursday, September 3, 2020

For Immediate Release

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Warm Springs, Oregon - This update is for the P-515 Fire and Lionshead Fire burning on the Warm Springs Reservation. Both fires are being managed for full suppression.

At 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Interagency Incident Management Team (NW Team 10) from the Pacific Northwest (Alan Lawson, Incident Commander) assumed management of the fire.

Current Status: The P-515 Fire is 95% contained and mop-up continues.

The Lionshead Fire is now 8,785 acres and 30% contained. The fire continues to burn to the west and southwest, moving up the Whitewater River and Milk Creek drainages. Firefighters were able to establish dozer line further out on the Northwest flank of the fire yesterday. Spotting occurred on the southwest flank of the fire, crossing an established dozer line. Air resources have been supporting crews, containing spots to the southwest when conditions permit.

Today's Operations: The Lionshead Fire continues to push on the NW and SW corners. Air resources will continue to support ground crews on the southern flank to improve containment of the fire and secure the spotting that occurred yesterday. On the NW flank, crews will continue to look for opportunities to extend line to the west.

Weather and Fire Behavior: The transport winds will likely push smoke to the southeast with winds 1-4 mph. A continuing warming trend is expected. Temperatures will be in the 80's today. Abundant dry fuels, difficult terrain and persistent burning conditions with very active fire behavior is expected.

Closures: Trout Lake Road at pavement end; Road B140 at Potter's Pond; Road B210 and Road P-500. All trails south of Trout Lake, west of M-120 Metolious Bench, east of Mt. Jefferson, and north of J-195 will be closed to the public. Tenino Road (P-200) is closed to the public, with only fire personnel and residents permitted.

Evacuations: There are currently no evacuation orders associated with the P-515 or Lionshead Fires.

COVID-19: Our highest priority is the safety of the public and all wildland fire personnel. In coordination with local partners, state and federal fire agencies, the Wildland Fire Response Plan (WFRP) was developed to help protect firefighters and the public during the COVID-19 pandemic. To keep firefighters and communities healthy and safe during the P-515 and Lionshead Fires, all fire personnel are expected to follow recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This includes limiting public access to the Incident Command Post (ICP) at the Warm Springs Fairgrounds. While COVID-19 circumstances are rapidly evolving, and federal agency guidance continues to adapt with the situation, NW Team 10 is prepared for wildland fire activity during this time.

Prevention Message: Now more than ever, please prevent wildfires.

Quick Facts Incident Summaries P-515 / Lionshead	
Approximate Size in Acres:	4,609 ac. / 8,785 ac.
Fire Containment:	95% / 30%
Incident Commander	Alan Lawson
Resources on the fire:	Crews: 37 Helicopters: 7 Engines: 47 Water Tenders: 15 Dozers: 10
Total Personnel:	1,123
Jurisdiction:	Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
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