



Brian Gales, Incident Commander

Public information: 971-277-5075		
Fire size: 204,469 acres	facebook.com/LionsheadFire	2020.Lionshead@firenet.gov
Personnel assigned: 601		https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7049/

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Lionshead Fire Update

Monday, Oct. 12

REDMOND, Ore. –

Within the fire zone, crews are constantly assessing hazards ranging from hazard trees to muddy roads, working when and where it is safe to do, and ensuring their vehicles and equipment do not cause more resource damage. Over the weekend crews have worked diligently to remove snags from the roadway that have fallen with the windy and rainy conditions. Firefighter and public safety are the top priority for the Incident Management Team and crews working around the fire perimeter.

Cooler and wet weather brings a new set of challenges for firefighters. Working in cold, wet conditions is unpleasant, and can affect firefighter morale. Incident Commander Brian Gales said well wishes and supportive comments from the public are a huge boost for firefighters during the long season.

“We really appreciate all the positive comments from the community about the hard work being done, and we relay it to the firefighters on the line every day,” Incident Commander Brian Gales said.

Now that active suppression, aviation and line construction are no longer essential to the containment effort, many crews and resources have been released from the incident to work on incidents that have staffing and resource needs. Daily objectives are also being adjusted to reflect the shorter daylight hours in which crews can work.

A wilderness resource advisor has been ordered to help coordinate suppression repair and mitigation in these more sensitive areas. The resource advisor will coordinate with other resources on the fire to ensure efficient and effective suppression repair. Resource advisors continue to work with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs to ensure resources are being protected throughout the area.

Weather: Weather on Monday will continue to be windy with some precipitation in the morning. The weather will dry out on Monday afternoon until a new frontal system arrives Tuesday afternoon, bringing additional precipitation and winds. The weather is forecasted to dry out and will begin a warming trend starting Wednesday.

Safety: Unpaved roads are very muddy, particularly on the west side of the Cascade Crest. The traveling public should avoid driving or parking on unpaved roads to avoid getting stuck.