



Update-Tuesday September 2, 2020

For Immediate Release

Incident Commander: Eric Knerr, Northwest Team 7

Fire Information: 971-277-5075

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. The P-515 Fire is in patrol status.

Today, Eric Knerr’s NW Team 7 will transition management of the fire at 6:00 p.m. to incoming NW Team 10 (Alan Lawson). Northwest Team 7 would like to thank the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs and Madras community for their support during this incident.

Current Status:

The Lionshead Fire is now 8,518 acres and 30% contained. The fire continues to burn to the west and southwest, moving up the White Water River and Milk Creek drainages. Air resources are engaged on the northwest and southwest corners of the fire. Dozers and masticators constructed the fire line further west on both areas.

Lionshead:

The Lionshead Fire continues to push on the NW and SW corners, spotting and slopping-over daily. Every day the firefighters have lined and secured those areas under difficult conditions. The north, east, and south flanks of the fire continue to be more and more secure. We continue to look for opportunities to successfully contain the difficult west flank of the fire. The terrain, weather and record dry forest fuels have made this a challenge but the fire fighters have done an excellent job, and Incident Management Team 7 wants to thank them for all of the hard work.

Weather and Fire Behavior: A gradual warming trend is expected, with decreasing humidity. Temperatures will increase into the upper 80’s to around 90. Abundant dry fuels, difficult terrain and persistent burning conditions are expected. Rapid heat buildup is expected, with the potential for torching on slopes, that can produce upslope finger runs and downwind spotting.

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 are allowed.

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

COVID-19: Precautionary measures have been implemented to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These measures include daily temperature screenings, mandatory use of face coverings, social distancing, and implementing more virtual work. Public and firefighter safety are a top priority.

Prevention Message: Breathe easy, prevent wildfires.

| Quick Facts Incident Summaries P-515 / Lionshead | |
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| Approximate Size in Acres: | 4,609 ac. / 8,518 ac. |
| Fire Containment: | 95% / 30% |
| Incident Commander | Eric Knerr |
| Resources on the fire: | Crews: 16 Helicopters: 8 Engines: 27 Water Tenders: 13 Dozers: 8 |
| Total Personnel: | 749 |
| Jurisdiction: | Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs |
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