



S-503 Fire Update
Warm Springs Fire Management, Incident Commander, Travis Moyer
June 30, 2021 - 9:00 AM

A Type-3 fire management organization lead by Incident Commander (IC) Travis Moyer is in command of the S-503 Fire. Fire Updates will be distributed once daily with additional information provided throughout the day via Facebook and the Inciweb website. The S-503 Fire is located in timber and grasses on the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation and privately owned in-holdings protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry. This fire is being managed as a full suppression fire.

Fire Information: (541) 553-2004 (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)

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Information Websites:

Facebook page “CTWS – Fire Management”

Inciweb information on <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7559>

Oregon Smoke Information - <http://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com/>

Acreage: 6,679 (approximately 535 acres is private in-holdings protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry).

Containment: 95%

General Updates: Fire activity on this fire is minimal and activity is in mop up and monitor status. Firefighters and engine crews have been working on cooling hot spots and advancing into the interior of the fire’s containment line for several days now, to the provided mop-up standards to create a cold, black perimeter around the fire’s edge. The footprint of the S-503 Fire has remained the same.

One of the main priorities of the team and firefighters is the safety of personnel that working, along with securing the fire line. The Pacific Northwest is going through a historic heat wave with the National Weather Service issuing an “Excessive Heat Warning”. Firefighters are well informed with extra guidance for heat-related illnesses, watch-out situation metrics and cooling tents to care for the firefighters during the anticipated record temperatures. In the coming days as the temperature rises and with a dropping relative humidity, there is an increased potential for fire activity.

Firefighting resources are prepared to respond to new starts today on the Warm Springs Reservation and surrounding areas.

Weather: There is a red flag warning in effect due to the heat, low relative humidity and wind speeds gusting up to 25 mph for today from 1100 to 2200 Thursday July 1st. There is also an Excessive Heat Warning in effect until 2000 on Sunday July 4th. Weather will be sunny and hot with temperatures near 95 degrees in the lower elevations.

Resources: 152 Total: 2-type 2 initial attack crews, 2-type 2 hand crews, 1- Hotshot Crew, 1-camp crew, 1-heavy helicopter, 1-light helicopter, 11-engines, 1-dozer, 8-water tenders, and 7 overhead personnel.

Closures and Evacuations: Evacuation Levels have been lifted for Pine Grove as of 1800 or 6:00 pm on June 28th, 2021.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: For the safety of the firefighters and aircraft fighting the S-503 Fire, wildfires are a “No Drone Zone.” The Temporary Flight Restriction has been lifted.