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Beaver Fire Evening Update

Siskiyou County, CA August 9, 2014 – The lightning-caused Beaver Fire started July 30, 2014. It is located on the Klamath National Forest, north of Highway 96 in Siskiyou County, California. Fire officials estimate the fire size at 20,381 acres and 25% containment as of 6 p.m. this evening. There are now 1,234 personnel assigned to the Beaver Fire.

After the atmospheric inversion lifted this afternoon, the Beaver Fire became extremely active in the Doggett Creek drainage—spreading westerly towards Dry Lake Mountain. On the east flank above Gottville, east winds pushed the fire back towards the main fire. Tonight firefighters will continue to use tactical firing operations to bring fire down to Highway 96 in the area to increase security of the fireline.

Structure defense continues in Gottville and west of Oak Knoll on Highway 96. Fire crews continue to patrol along the Beaver Creek Road. None of the 95 threatened structures have been damaged or lost.

The National Weather Service has issued a Red Flag Warning--in effect from 11:00 a.m. Sunday through 5:00 a.m. Tuesday. Forecasters are calling for abundant lightning during that time. Should any new fire occur, crews on the Beaver Fire are prepared to respond and assist the Klamath National Forest.

Travelers and residents are advised to drive slowly along Highway 96 and be aware of crews and equipment along the road.

Evacuation Information: An evacuation advisory has been issued by the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office for the area between Lumgreys Creek to Doggett Creek. Evacuees can utilize the Red Cross Shelter at the Jackson Street Elementary School, located at 405 Jackson Street in Yreka. Kennels will also be available to take in small domestic pets at this location. Please call the Beaver Fire Information line at (530) 331-0737 or the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office at (530) 841-2900 for current evacuation status.

Road Closure Information: Highway 96 is now open. However, motorists in the area should be aware that if increased fire activity impacts the road or when work is required on sections of the road, there may be intermittent hard closures. Anyone in the area should exercise caution while driving and be aware of increased firefighting activity. Please call the Beaver Fire information line at (530) 331-0737 or CalTrans at 800-427-7623 for road closure updates.

There are multiple fires on the Klamath National Forest in Siskiyou County and in other areas around northern California and southern Oregon. Stay alert and be aware of increased fire equipment traffic on roads. Drive with low-beam headlights on and DO NOT stop or park along the roads to watch the fire or firefighting activities. **Additionally, anyone in the vicinity of a fire should be aware of hazard trees, falling rocks that could enter roadways, and smoky conditions. Those with respiratory issues should limit their time and activity level outdoors.**

More information can be found at inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/4036 or follow us on Twitter [@BeaverFireKNF](https://twitter.com/BeaverFireKNF). **Also visit the Klamath National Forest Facebook page for additional updates, photos, and information.**

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