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Beaver Fire Morning Update

A community meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 12th at 7:00PM at the Klamath River Community Hall

Siskiyou County, CA August 11, 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 24,804 acres and 30% contained as of 6 a.m. Approximately 1,454 firefighters are working on the fire.

A Red Flag Warning remains in the area today through Tuesday for thunderstorms and associated strong, erratic winds. Crews on the Beaver Fire are prepared to assist the Klamath National Forest in responding to any new fire starts, should they occur.

Significant movement occurred on the western edge of the fire along Buckhorn Ridge yesterday afternoon. However, fire activity moderated throughout the fire after dark. Firefighters worked through the night to keep the northeast corner (Fish Trap Creek) in check, and the Highway 96 corridor remained quiet through the night.

In the last few days, prevailing easterly winds, heavy fuel loads, and dry conditions have challenged firefighters, especially on the western edge of the Beaver Fire. Conditions are predicted to remain the same today, and residents can anticipate similar fire activity. Today, crews will work to improve and hold containment lines along Buckhorn Ridge on the western flank of the fire, and to hold the fire in the northeast corner at Fish Trap Creek. No structures have been destroyed or damaged due to the fire.

Evacuation Information: An evacuation advisory has been issued by the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office. As of 9 p.m. on August 10, 2014 the advisory area has been expanded to include Highway 96 between Doggett Creek and the Horse Creek Road, the Horse Creek area, and the 12 Road (Middle Creek Road). All previously issued evacuation advisories (Lumgreycreek to Doggett Creek) remain in effect. The evacuation shelter at the Jackson Street Elementary School in Yreka, California is now in stand-by mode. Residents who wish to utilize the shelter can call the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office at (530) 841-2900 to have it opened. Please call the Sheriff's Office or the Beaver Fire information line at (530) 331-0737 for current evacuation status.

Road Closure Information: Highway 96 is now open. However, motorists in the area should be aware that when fire activity impacts the road or when work is required on sections of the road, there may be intermittent delays and/or hard closures. 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.nwcg.gov/incident/4036 or follow us on Twitter **@BeaverFireKNF**. **Also visit the Klamath National Forest Facebook page for additional updates, photos, and information.**

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