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Firefighting Resources on the Gap Fire

Crews	58
Engines	93
Dozers	23
Helicopters	13
Fixed Wing Aircraft	Ordered as needed
Total resources	2002

Gap Fire Evening Update: September 5, 2016

Happy Camp, CA – The Gap Fire is burning on the Klamath National Forest. As of 6:00 p.m. it is 26,213 acres and 30% contained.

- **Public meeting tomorrow afternoon, September 6, at 4:00 p.m. at the Horse Creek Community Church**
- **Mandatory evacuations remain in place this evening for both sides of Highway 96 between Scott River Road and Walker Gulch including Hamburg.**
- **Mandatory evacuations remain for residences on Ladd Road west from Hick’s Gulch to Walker Gulch on the north side of the Klamath River.**
- Motorists should expect temporary hard closures on Highway 96 due to fire activity.
- Advisory evacuations remain in effect for residents along Highway 96 west from Walker Gulch; including the community of Seiad Valley, and along the Seiad Creek Road from Seiad Valley to Panther Gulch.
- Scott Bar remains under an evacuation advisory.
- Two structures were reported destroyed near Hick’s Gulch on the north side of the Klamath River. They have yet to be assessed on the ground.

Today, crews worked to strategically place fire on the perimeter, as conditions permitted, to remove fuel between the active fire and primary fireline. This was done to reduce fire intensity and minimize the likelihood of fire crossing indirect containment line to the north. On the south side of the fire, firefighters continued to bring fire down to the river, while staying in place for structure defense, if needed. Mop-up continued along the western and eastern flanks of the fire, which are both holding well.

Tonight, firefighters will focus their efforts on the north and south side of the fire, continuing low-intensity firing operations to remove remaining vegetation between the primary fireline and the active fire. A south contingency group and a structure protection group will also be in place

south of the Klamath River should they be needed. Additional resources will also be staged in key locations overnight.

Weather this evening is expected to stay in between the upper 30s and the mid 40's with light winds predicted. High pressure building off the west coast is expected to work inland beginning on Wednesday, leading to warmer temperatures and lower relative humidity during the day.

A Forest Closure is in effect for areas affected by the Gap Fire on the Klamath National Forest. The Beaver Creek Road is closed at the intersection with West Beaver Creek Road (47N01). This change allows public access east on the Beaver Creek Road (48N01).

The cause of the Gap Fire is still under investigation. If you have information pertaining to the fire investigation, please contact the US Forest Service Tipline for the Klamath National Forest at 530-841-4474.

For additional information and pictures, please visit <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4997/>

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