



Burns BLM District



Malheur National Forest



PNW Team 3

Jeff Pendleton Incident Commander

This complex is being managed by the PNW Team 3 Type 1 Incident Management Team.

## News Release - 07/17/07 8:30 am PT

The Chickahominy Campground on Highway 20 will reopen to the public today. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Community Meeting Planned

A community meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 18, from 6:00 until 7:00 pm, at the Harney County Senior and Community Service Center in Burns. Members of the PNW Team 3 Incident Management Team will provide an update of the fire activity. Representatives from the cooperating agencies will also be present to address questions about the Egley Complex.

### Yesterday's Activities:

On Monday, crews continued to mop-up and patrol the Egley Fire. On the Silver Fire, very active burning occurred to the northeast toward the 41 Road. Crews have been successful in protecting the Allison Springs Guard Station and a number of other structures in the area. The Bear Canyon Fire was also very active yesterday. Fire spread was primarily confined to the north. Crews continued to work to minimize the fire activity on the east side of the 47 Road, and continued to mop-up many areas of the fire. Spot fires continued to cause problems on the northwest portion of the Bear Canyon Fire.

The Badger Flats base camp is up and running north of the complex; this camp will primarily accommodate crews working the Silver Fire. This camp was established to minimize travel time to the fire lines.

### Weather and Fire Behavior:

Today's weather is expected to breezy, mostly cloudy with occasional breaks. Winds will be out of the southwest at 7-12 mph with gusts up to 25 mph. The temperature will reach nearly 90 degrees with the relative humidity approaching a low of 10%.

### Today's Planned Actions:

The Egley Fire remains in patrol status and crews will continue to monitor the fire's perimeter. Structure protection operations will continue at the Allison Springs Guard Station and the Yellow Jacket Campground area. Structural protection measures are also in place for private residences in that area. Crews will work to secure a perimeter in the very rugged terrain that exists to the north of the Silver and Bear Canyon fires as the two fires continue to track towards each other. A contingency dozer line is being constructed to contain a spot fire east of the 47 Road. Crews will attempt to hold the fire west of the 47 Road. Air operations will commence as visibility improves this morning.

**Closures:** Due to the extreme fire danger level, closure orders and fire protection measures are in place throughout the area until further notice. All roads and areas west of Highway 395 and north of Highway 20 are closed within Forest Service boundaries on the Emigrant Ranger District. The only exception is the Joaquin Miller Campground, which remains open.

*This Fire Update was produced by the Egley Information Center staffed by PNW Team 3*

<b>Quick Facts</b> <b>Egley Complex Summary</b>	
Complex Approximate Size:	120,000 acres
Complex Containment:	45%
Assigned Resources on the Complex:	53 crews 4 helicopters 16 dozers 33 water tenders
Total Personnel on Complex:	1,856
Estimated Complex Containment Date:	July 22
Agencies Represented on the Complex:	BLM DNR USFS State and Local Private

**FOR ADDITIONAL AND UPDATED LOCAL AND NATIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT:**

[www.InciWeb.org](http://www.InciWeb.org), Malheur NF: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur/>, Burns Interagency Fire Zone: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns/fire/index.php>

Additional Sources of  
Wildland Fire Information

[National Situation Report](http://www.nifc.gov/news/sitreprt.pdf)  
www.nifc.gov/news/sitreprt.pdf

[National Interagency Fire Center](http://www.nifc.gov)  
www.nifc.gov

[National Fire News](http://www.nifc.gov/fireinfo/nfn.html)  
www.nifc.gov/fireinfo/nfn.html

