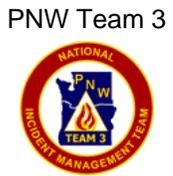




Burns BLM District



Malheur National Forest



PNW Team 3
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Incident Commander

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

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The Chickahominy Campground on Highway 20 is open for public use.

Community Meeting Planned

A community meeting will be held tonight, Wednesday, 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:

Cloud cover and lighter than predicted winds allowed crews to hold most of the lines on the Egley Complex yesterday. A finger of the Bear Canyon Fire moved to the northeast, across the 47 Road. Crews attacked it with dozers, engines and helicopters and successfully held the line. The night shift continued operations, which included installing extensive hose lays in the area to make water available today.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

An expected weather change today could bring higher humidity and more cloud cover, which could slow fire activity slightly. Higher wind gusts with erratic winds are also predicted to arrive with the incoming cold front, increasing fire activity. Fire fighters were told to expect fire behavior changes throughout the day as the weather conditions change.

Today's Planned Actions:

Islands of unburned vegetation well within the perimeter of the Egley Fire are still burning and creating visible smoke; however, these interior burns do not pose a threat to the fire line. The Egley Fire remains in patrol status. Crews continue to mop up and hold the northern edge of the Silver Fire, and portions of the fire are in patrol status. Structure protection measures are still in place at the Allison Springs Guard Station and numerous structures scattered throughout the fire area. The northeastern edge of the Bear Canyon Fire remains the most active part of the complex still; suppression efforts remain slow and steady in the difficult terrain of that area. Crews continue to construct new line and mop up along existing lines as they attempt to prevent further spread to the north. Twenty-two additional miles of hose lay will be delivered to the fire area today to be utilized in structure protection and suppression efforts. Structure protection continues at the Sugarloaf Lookout, campgrounds, and private residences.

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

Quick Facts Egley Complex Summary	
Complex Approximate Size:	135,00 acres
Complex Containment:	55%
Assigned Resources on the Complex:	45 crews 4 helicopters 15 dozers 35 water tenders
Total Personnel on Complex:	1,680
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, 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)
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[National Fire News](http://www.nifc.gov/fireinfo/nfn.html)
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