



FORT COMPLEX FIRE INFORMATION: (530) 493-1514

Fort Complex / Goff Fire Information Update – Friday, September 7, 2012

The Goff Fire burning within the Fort Complex is now at 61% containment, with full containment expected by September 20th. The recent increase in containment is a result of successful implementation of a variety of suppression tactics by firefighters and favorable weather conditions.

The northern perimeter of the fire remains the top priority. Crews are making good progress constructing handline and utilizing portable pumps and hoses to facilitate mop up. The fire continues to burn downhill toward the Butte Fork of the Applegate River but is moving very slowly. Mop-up will continue on other areas of the fire where handlines are now in place.

The contingency lines west and north of the fire are now complete. Crews and equipment will be released from the fire as they complete their assignments.

There was increased activity in the interior of the fire yesterday. This is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. Although smoke from these areas will be visible, this does not pose a threat to the fireline. Stump holes and large logs will also continue to burn and smolder in areas well within the fire perimeter.

For the safety of firefighters and Forest visitors closures remain in place for the fire area. Emergency vehicle traffic as well as other hazards such as falling snags, stump holes and rolling rocks can be encountered across the fire area. Drivers are urged to use caution, especially on Highway 96 west of Seiad Valley.

Closures & Fire Restrictions

Thompson Creek (18NO1), Thompson Ridge Road (19NO1), Lily Pad Road (47N80) and Bug Creek Road (18N02) are closed on Klamath National Forest. Multiple trail closures are in effect including portions of the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT), Boundary National Recreation Trail, Fort Goff Trail and Portuguese Creek Trail. Please check the closure information posted on InciWeb at: www.inciweb.org/incident/3117/, on the Klamath National Forests website at: www.fs.usda.gov/klamath and on the Rogue-River Siskiyou National Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/rogue-siskiyou. A temporary flight restriction (TFR) is also in effect.

Goff Fire Summary:

Size: 21,950 acres, **Containment:** 61 %, **Date Started:** August 5, 2012, **Cause:** Lightning
Injuries to date: 8, **Resources:** 22 engines, 28 hand crews, 13 water tenders, 10 helicopters, 5 dozers

Siskiyou County air quality information: <http://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us> The Klamath and Rogue River - Siskiyou National Forests are in fire restrictions. Forest visitors are reminded to use care while in the Forest and check the Forests' websites at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/klamath/> or <http://www.fs.usda.gov/rogue-siskiyou> with a Forest Service station for local conditions.

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