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## Firefighting Resources on the Gap Fire

Crews	55
Engines	107
Dozers	26
Helicopters	13
Fixed Wing Aircraft	Ordered as needed
<b>Total resources</b>	<b>1943</b>

## Gap Fire Morning Update: September 5, 2016

Happy Camp, CA – The Gap Fire is burning on the Klamath National Forest. As of 6:00 a.m. it is 25,801 acres and 30% contained.

- **Mandatory evacuations remain in place this morning 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 issued 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.

Crews had a productive shift overnight, continuing low-intensity firing operations along the dozer line southwest from the Pacific Crest Trail. Firefighters worked to strengthen and mop up lines along the western side of the fire. Along Highway 96, crews carefully brought fire toward the river to help hold it there. The fire was relatively quiet, and no spot fires were reported south of the river.

Today, crews will work to strategically place fire on the fire perimeter, as conditions permit, to remove fuel between the active fire and primary fire line. This action will reduce fire intensity and minimize the likelihood of fire crossing indirect containment line to the north. On the south, firefighters will continue to bring fire down to the river, as structure defense, should it become

necessary. Mop-up continues along the western and eastern flanks of the fire, which are both holding well.

Weather is expected to stay in the low 80s through today 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.

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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