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Fire Update

Route & Mad River Complex

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Fire Information:
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Headlines

- The Route Complex is 31,487 acres, 33% contained. The Mad River Complex is 24,836 acres, 65% contained.
- The Northern Rockies team assumes command of the Mad River Complex today.
- Today's high temperatures and critically low humidity will continue into mid-week.
- Firefighters will confront drought stressed fuels, steep terrain, inaccessibility, and changing weather conditions.
- Portions of the Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forest are closed to public use due to fire activity.
- **Road Closures**
 - Highway 36 at the South Fork Mountain Summit (mile post 9.29) east to Lower Rattlesnake Road (mile marker 22).
 - Forest Route 1, 5 miles north of Highway 36 at Forest Service Road 2N12. Forest Service Road 4N18.
 - End of Kerlin Road in the Hyampom community.
- **Evacuations**
 - Mandatory evacuations are now in effect east of the Lassic Fire due to fire activity. The area includes the 8 residences along the 1S14 Rd. south of the 1S07 Rd., west of Van Duzen Rd. Residents in the Forest Glen area remain under a mandatory evacuation order.
 - Mandatory evacuation at the end of Kerlin Creek Road. Voluntary evacuations include the St Johns Road, Winton Flat, Waldorf Flat, Grel Ranch and Oak Flat.
 - Advisory Evacuation: Residents in the Swayback Ridge area remain under an evacuation advisory.

Buck Fire (1,647 acres 100% contained)

Johnson Fire (29,840 acres and 26% contained) Crews conducted successful burnout operations on the north end moving those portions of the fire toward holding status. The majority of the east side of the fire near Hyampom is in holding status. Crews have made significant progress securing and preparing line on the western side of the Johnson Fire for a planned burnout. Continued burnout operations are planned for the south end of the fire.

Pickett Fire (10,923 acres, 78 percent contained) The fire has backed down to Highway 36, and debris continues to create a hazard on the highway. Steep embankments along Highway 36 pose a risk for debris to roll out and get below the road resulting in possible spot fires. Structure protection crews remain in the Forest Glen area.

Lassic Fire (5,626 acres, 24 percent contained) The fire continues to spread to the east, west, and south. The fire continues to back down the west flank and may make significant runs.

Gobbler Fire (8,287 acres, 100 percent contained) Although residents may see smoke coming from the interior, the containment line is secure and crews will remain in the area performing mop up.

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