Clearwater Complex Update

August 18, 2015 9:00 p.m.

Facts at a Glance

Size: 64,150 total acres **Date Started:** 08/13/2015 **Percent Containment:** 25%
Personnel Assigned: 859 personnel **Equipment:** 56 engines, 19 dozers, 27 water tenders
Cause: Lightning **Aircraft Assigned:** 4 helicopters
Cooperating Agencies: US Forest Service; Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association; Lewis and Idaho counties; Nez Perce Tribe; City of Kamiah, Idaho Transportation Department, Idaho State Patrol, nine Rural Fire Departments

*****There will be a daily public information meeting held at The Life Center at 6:00 p.m. *****

A cold front will be moving through the area on Friday bringing with it a chance of thunderstorms and high winds. Firefighters are taking advantage of the lower temperatures, higher humidity, and lighter winds to reinforce fire lines before Friday.

Lawyer 2 Fire – Kamiah, Idaho (31,870 acres)
Firefighters worked toward mopping up 100 feet in from the perimeter. Patrol operations continued today in all areas of the fire. U.S. Highway 12 remains open to all traffic but may periodically have a pilot car moving traffic through the fire area north of Kamiah.

Lolo 2 Fire – Between Weippe and Woodland, Idaho (3,310 acres)
Firefighters worked along the edge of the fire strengthening firelines constructed by private citizens. Crews continued strengthening lines behind houses in the Cottonwood Flats area and north of Caribel Road, while efforts in the southeast edge of the fire focus on reinforcing firelines behind houses east of Kamiah.

Carrot Ridge Fire – Northeast of Pardee, Idaho (4264 acres)
The fire made runs into the Texas Creek canyon and Schmidt Creek canyon area. Retardant was used to slow the fire's progress.

Fisher Fire – Big Canyon area, approximately seven miles north of Craigmont, Idaho.
Today, crews continued improving and holding existing fireline, mopping up hotspots (particularly in heavily-forested areas along Six Mile and Big Canyons, and continued to patrol other containment lines.

Syringa Fires – Northeast of Syringa, Idaho
This includes the Motorway, Woodrat, Big Hill, and Four Bit Fires. The Woodrat Fire is staffed with firefighters and equipment and line construction around the perimeter has begun.

Additional Info: We have an information center at the Idaho Department of Lands in Kamiah. Fire information and updates can be found at http://inciweb.nwcg.gov or **call either (406)309-0371 or (208) 507-2621**

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