Bootleg Fire Update, August 13, 2021

Location: 28 miles northeast of Klamath Falls, OR
Size: 413,717 acres (646 square miles)
Containment: 98%
Personnel: 376

Walrus Fire
Location: 10.5 miles N of Bonanza
Size: 75 acres
Containment: 90%

Yainax Fire
Location: 10 miles NE of Bonanza
Size: 84 acres
Containment: 70%

(Klamath Falls, OR) – A Type 3 incident management organization will assume command of Bootleg Fire from the Pacific Northwest Incident Management Team 2 on Saturday, August 14 at 6:00 a.m. In total, eight Incident Management Teams were assigned to manage the Bootleg Fire since it began on July 6.

On Thursday afternoon, firefighters and helicopters from the Bootleg Fire provided assistance with two new fires in the area. The Patton Meadow is approximately 2,000 acres on the Fremont-Winema-Forest west of Lakeview and the Willow Valley fire is on the Bureau of Land Management’s Lakeview District south of Bonanza at approximately 220 acres. Both the Patton Meadow and Willow Valley fires have numerous air and ground wildland firefighting resources engaging, with more firefighting resources ordered. For more information about the Patton Meadow Fire, visit https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7798/.

As the Type 3 incident management organization continues to manage the Bootleg Fire, five fire engines and additional personnel will remain to patrol the fire area and assist with any new fires in the area. The Oregon Department of Forestry will assume management of the Yainax and Walrus Fires effective Saturday, August 14 at 6:00 a.m.

“It has been an honor to work with the local, regional, and national cooperators on this incident,” said Incident Commander Rob Allen. “We are grateful for the support we’ve received from the local community. Every bit of it helped our firefighters contain this large fire under challenging circumstances.”

To continue getting updates regarding the Bootleg Fire, please visit the Bootleg Fire InciWeb, Facebook, and Twitter pages. For public and media inquiries, please call 541-891-6758 beginning on Saturday, August 14.

Closures: An emergency closure order is in effect for the Bootleg Fire on the Fremont-Winema National Forest to protect public and firefighter safety. All travel or entry into the area is prohibited. The full closure order and map are available on the website under Alerts and Closures at https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/fremont-winema/alerts-notices.

Red Cross Disaster Relief: For information or assistance: 1-800-Red-Cross (www.redcrossblog.org/disaster).

Insurance Assistance: For additional information on submitting insurance claims after losing your home or property to a wildfire, please visit https://dfr.oregon.gov/insure/home/storm/Pages/wildfires.aspx or call the state’s team of consumer advocates at 888-877-4894 (toll-free).

Fire Information Public Phone: 541-482-1331 will be transitioning to 541-891-6758 beginning on Saturday, August 14
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