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NW Incident Management Team 7

Joseph Canyon and Dry Creek Fires

June 10, 2021

Fire Information: (541) 579-0648

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For Immediate Release

Incident Commander: Jason Loomis, Northwest Team 7

Enterprise, Oregon - Demobilization of resources continues today as conditions have moderated and suppression actions have been successful. NW Team 7 is preparing for demobilization and to transition the fires to local agencies that are fully prepared to manage these fires in their current condition. The Incident Management Team remains available in the event the situation changes.

A new e-mail has been established for information inquiries on the fire. Please send questions to 2021.josephcanyon@firenet.gov

Joseph Canyon Fire - Start Date: June 3-4, 2021 Cause: Lightning Size: 7,610 acres Containment: 90%

Location: 23 miles southwest of Lewiston, ID.

Status: Monitoring of the Joseph Canyon fire continued yesterday with the only observed smoke from interior hotspots on the southwest flank of the fire. Crews continued to monitor and patrol lines.

Dry Creek Fire - Start Date: June 3-4, 2021 Cause: Lightning Size: 1,564 acres Containment: 90%

Location: The Dry Creek Fire is in a remote and rugged part of Hells Canyon, northeast of Joseph, OR.

Status: The Dry Creek Fire is in very good shape. Two drone flights were completed yesterday looking for smoke and hot spots. The full perimeter was flown with only two smokes within the interior of the fire area observed.

Weather: Light steady rain is expected through the day, moderating towards the afternoon.

Evacuations: There are currently no evacuation orders associated with the Joseph Canyon and Dry Creek fires.

Closures: The Nez Perce Tribe has temporarily closed the Precious Lands Wildlife Management Area in Northeastern Oregon: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/article/7513/59633/>

Fire Season Declared: Oregon Department of Forestry's Northeast Oregon District proclaimed that they would go into fire season beginning Wednesday, June 9th at 12:01 a.m. They have new fire restriction signs located throughout the district, with a Fire Prevention information line; (541) 975-3027 and a QR code which will take you to www.bmidc.org, for current information on fire restrictions.

Prevention Message: Breathe easy, prevent wildfires.

Quick Facts Incident Summary	
Approximate Size:	Joseph Canyon 7,610 acres Dry Creek 1,564 acres
Fire Containment:	Joseph Canyon 90% Dry Creek 90%
Incident Commander:	Jason Loomis
Resources on the fires:	Crews: 3 Helicopters: 5 Engines: 3
Total Personnel:	183
Jurisdiction:	Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Vale District Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Department of Forestry, Washington Department of Natural Resources
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