



Deception Complex

Deception Creek Complex • Staley Complex • Middle Fork District Initial Attack
Willamette National Forest- Middle Fork Ranger District
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Deception Complex Fire Update - August 23, 2014

Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 is managing the Deception Complex which encompasses approximately 93 fires on the Middle Fork Ranger District of the Willamette National Forest. The Middle Fork Ranger District has had five lightning storms starting fires since early July with the most recent on August 10, 2014.



Firefighters working as safety lookouts over fires in Deception Creek area.

Warner Lookout and the aerial patrol located three new fires on Friday. All three fires are under 0.25 acre. Rappelers responded to the one located in the far north end of the Waldo Lake Wilderness. The other two fires are located near Mt. Fiji and about a mile from Indigo Springs Campground. All three fires have been lined.

Helicopters are continuing to keep the fires in the Deception Creek area cooled down with water drops. Crews are installing fire hose to provide water along the indirect fire line and are continuing to establish additional backup lines.

Temperatures will be increasing and relative humidity (amount of moisture in the air) will be decreasing this weekend. The fires are expected to be more active today.

All the campgrounds on the Middle Fork Ranger District are open including the Waldo Lake campgrounds. The air quality in the Waldo Lake campgrounds has been clear all week.

Closure Information (no changes):

There are three area, trail and road closures related to these fires on the Middle Fork Ranger District. If you are considering traveling on the Middle Fork Ranger District check the following web site for details: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/willamette/>. Look for the closures related to: Staley, Deception Creek and Waldo in the alerts column on the right hand column.

Of the approximately 93 fires, most are less than 2 acres. The total fire count is less then yesterday's due to removing fires that had been double counted.

Fire status:	Active – 31	Contained – 17
Controlled – 10	Out – 19	Unable to locate - 16

The size of the largest fires is:
Staley Fire - 214 acres
Davey Fire - 30 acres
Pool Fire - 22 acres
Deception - 20 acres
Green Lake - 15 acres

Total acres	% Contained	20- person Crews	Engines	Dozers	Helicopters	Total Personnel
301	52%	19	35	6	3 heavy , 1 medium 2 light	926



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