



NEWS RELEASE

Two Bulls Fire Morning Update

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@CentralORFire#twobullsfire
June 9, 2014 0800 hrs

Information Phone: 541-416-6811

Note: The info line number is expected to change today, please monitor social media for this update.

Twitter: @twobullsfire,

Facebook: Two Bulls Fire- Bend, Oregon

GPS: 44 6' 48", 121 28' 2"

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office has ordered Level III Evacuation Notices for the following areas:

- Skyliners Road area outside of the City of Bend (approximately 50 residences.)

Level II Evacuation Notices are in effect for the following areas:

- Area south of Shevlin Park, west of Mt. Washington, and north of Century Drive.
- Saddleback Subdivision on both sides of Johnson Road (lowered from Level III yesterday evening.)

Level I Evacuation Notices have been issued for the following areas:

- Remainder of Northwest Crossing (the area east of Mt. Washington Drive).
- Residents in the area north of Shevlin Park, west of Mt. Washington Drive.

Displaced residents in need of a place to stay or other resources are encouraged to report to the American Red Cross shelter located at High Desert Middle School located at 61111 27th Street. Red Cross information can also be obtained by calling 541-382-2142.

A livestock shelter has been opened at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in Redmond, OR.

The following road closures remain in place: All of 4606, 1610, Skyline Forest, 4601, 4603, and Tumalo Falls.

Current Fire Information

Good progress was made both yesterday during the day and night with firefighters taking advantage of some calmer weather conditions. The priority of securing fireline around the eastern and southern portions of the fire was met and it is anticipated that hoselines will be put into place along that line by the end of today with some mop-up activities commencing there. Some of the available crews from the east flank divisions were reassigned to the western flank of the fire today to help in securing fireline on that portion. Structure protection task forces mobilized under the Oregon State Conflagration Act continue to work around the threatened structures and have contingency plans in place to help protect the watershed facilities if the fire jumps containment lines.

Dry weather conditions will continue to keep temperatures in the upper 70's and lower 80's and relative humidity dipping below 20%. The main concern for today will be hold the lines on the southern portion of the fire and out of the City of Bend's watershed, as winds are forecasted to get gusty from the northwest at 10-18 mph in the afternoon as a weak upper level disturbance moves over the area.

- 6,800 acres consisting of heavy brush and timber
- 250 homes threatened with 50 remaining under Level III Evacuation
- No structures lost or damaged
- No injuries
- Cause under investigation
- 5% containment
- 11 helicopters, 46 engines, 11 dozers, and 708 personnel assigned to the fire
- Estimated costs to date- \$1.23 million

Public Information Meeting

An informational meeting open to all public and media will be held **Monday evening at 6:00 pm at Bend High School**, located at 230 NE 6th St in Bend. Fire representatives will give a current and expected fire briefing and will be available to address questions and concerns.

Additional Information

The fire is being managed under a unified command of Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team 2 (Incident Commander, Chris Cline) and Oregon State Fire Marshal's Green Team (Incident Commander, John Ingrao).

Cooperators working the incidents include Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office, US Forest Service, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, City of Bend, American Red Cross, Bend-La Pine School District, and Cascade Timberlands LLC.

Interested media should report to the **Incident Command Post** located in the field across from 63685 Johnson Road. Public Information Officers will be available for interviews; media is required to check in with Information immediately upon arrival.

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Evacuation Levels Explained

Level I (Ready)-

Residents should be aware of the danger that exists in their area, and monitor local media outlets for information. Residents with special needs, such as those susceptible to breathing problems in wildfires or those with animals and pets, should take note and begin making arrangements to evacuate. For wildfires, smoke can often cause the most problems for residents, especially those sensitive to smoke. Evacuations at this time are voluntary.

Level II (Set)-

This level indicates there is significant danger to your area, and residents should either voluntarily relocate to a shelter or with family/friends outside of the affected area. For those that choose to remain, they should be ready to leave at a moment's notice. Access into the area is typically controlled by law enforcement. Law enforcement may also decide to not allow residents back into the area once they leave.

Level III (Go)-

This level means to leave immediately! Danger to your area is current or imminent, and your life safety cannot be guaranteed. Residents should listen to local media, and watch for emergency personnel who may be coming by to give further instructions regarding the evacuation.