

Type 3 Incident Management Team Nick Lunde, Incident Commander

Rattle Fire Update Saturday, September 6, 2008

ORCA Type II Incident Management team will assume command of the Rattle Fire on Sunday, September 7, at 6 am. Due to a significant increase in crews and fire resources the fire camp at Oregon Department of Transportation Sandshed will be relocated to Toketee Airstrip beginning Saturday evening.

Crews are constructing hand line to arrest growth on the spot fires south of Hwy. 138. This line will be used for future burnout operations if needed. Hoselay was started on the 4760 road on the southeast. Completion of this hose line will be a backup strategy should the fire be pushed by a east wind. Night shift crews are on duty to provide for structural and asset protection. Air operations were limited today by an inversion. The inversion is expected to lift on Sunday and bucket work to resume.

The hot and dry weather is expected to continue. There is potential for smoke, especially in the afternoon when fire activity peaks due to lower humidities.

PacificCorp has closed sections of powerline to allow firefighters to work in close proximity to power. No structures have been lost.

SR138 remains closed east of Dry Creek to Toketee Falls. Motorists are advised to check Oregon Department of Transportation website for current conditions on SR 138. To contact ODOT: toll free within Oregon: 511; 1-800-977-ODOT :1-503-588-2941, outside Oregon.

CLOSED: Boulder Flat Campground, Eagle Rock Campground. A Temporary Flying Restriction is in effect over the fire. www.faa. FILL IN

For more information, please call the new Fire Information line at ICP at Diamond Lake Ranger District: 541. 498. 2219. The Fire Information email is: RattleFire20082@gmail.com.



Rattle Fire at a Glance (9/06/08)

Size: 1750 acres

Location: Approximately 26 miles NE of Glide, OR/
1 mile SE of Illahee Lookout

Containment: 0 %

Expected Containment:
9/30/08

Cause: Lightning. 8/18/08

Resources:

Crews: 5 Type 1

Helicopters:

2 Type 1 (Heavy Lift)

1 Type 2 (Medium Lift)

1 Type 3 (Light).

Engines: 4

Tenders: 3

Total Personnel Assigned:
190Sept

Closures: Boulder Creek
Wilderness

**Trails Closed Adjacent to
and within the Boulder
Creek Wilderness:**

Wright Trail #1414; Skipper Lakes #1486; Perry Butte #1487; Cinder Prairie #1488; Bradley #1491; unnamed #1492; Soda Springs Connection (along road) #1493; Illahee Flat #1539; Bulldog Rock #1534; Wild Rose #1535; Illahee Lookout #1539; Fuller Lake #1543; Boulder Creek #1552; Spring Mountain #1553; Boulder West #1554

