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Red Salmon Complex UPDATE

Thursday, September 17, 2020



Total Acres	Containment	Crews	Engines	Dozers	Helicopters	Water Tenders	Total Personnel
100,949	17%	6	39	8	8	25	673

The Red Salmon Complex is burning on the Klamath, Six Rivers, and Shasta-Trinity National Forests within Humboldt, Siskiyou, and Trinity Counties. The Hoopa Valley Tribe is part of the joint delegation of authority with the National Forests. The South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team 14 is managing this incident. Team 14 will continue working closely with the Yurok Tribe, the Karuk Tribe, and community liaisons.

Current Situation: Though infrared flights show the Red Salmon Complex growing past 100,000 acres, the gain is largely due to burnout operations in the southwest and northeast corners of the fire.

“We’re not letting down our guard,” said Deputy Incident Commander Steve Watkins, “but we’re in a good place. We’re accomplishing our goal of protecting the Hoopa Valley Reservation, Forks of Salmon, and other communities around the complex. We’re getting later in the fire season and hopeful the weather brings relief.”

Fireline on the west flank of the complex is in patrol and mop up status. Crews and equipment have been shifted to the southwest of the complex to secure containment around the corner and east.

Crews and structure protection remain in Denny and to the northeast in and around Forks of Salmon.

A number of hunters on their way to set up camp before the start of the season have been turned away at road closures and other locations. All National Forests in California are closed. Entry is not permitted. Should the statewide closure not be renewed when it expires September 21st, the area closures on the Klamath, Six Rivers, and Shasta-Trinity National Forests remain until further notice.

Weather: An upper level low will continue to approach the region today. A disturbance moving around this low will lead to increasing clouds and an isolated shower in the afternoon, as onshore flow from the Pacific continues leading to cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity today

Air Quality: Air quality is likely to improve, however, Red Salmon Complex smoke will combine with smoke from other fires in the area which could keep parts of the forecast zone in the Unhealthy range.

Area Evacuations: The Siskiyou County Sheriff issued an Evacuation Order for ALL of Forks of Salmon. From Butler Flat to 10 miles east to Forks of Salmon and south to Plummer Creek on Cecilville Rd.

National Forest Closure Areas: The US Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region has issued an Emergency Closure Order of all National Forests in Region 5 (California) pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 C.F.R. 261.50(a) and (b), of Regional Order No. 20-13 to provide for public safety and protect natural resources. The Red Salmon Fire Forest Closure Area became effective on August 8, 2020 under Forest Supervisor’s orders on the Klamath, Shasta-Trinity, and Six Rivers National Forests. As hunting seasons open, hunters are reminded the closure is in place for their safety as well as the safety of firefighters. Complete closure information is available on InciWeb for the Red Salmon Complex.

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