

News Release



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Fire Management Partnership
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August 7, 2012

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INTERAGENCY FIRE CREWS SUPPRESSING BERRY POINT FIRE ON THE FREMONT-WINEMA NATIONAL FOREST

Lakeview, Ore- Firefighters are working to control a lightning-sparked wildfire 22 miles southwest of Lakeview on the Fremont-Winema National Forest. The Berry Point Fire, which is approximately 150 acres, is producing a lot of smoke and significant fire growth.

“Due to high temperatures, wind and heavy fuels, this holdover Sunday storm lightning fire grew quickly in size late Monday,” said Fred Way, Forest Supervisor for the Fremont-Winema National Forest. “Firefighters are seeing a lot of tree torching and spotting.”

Resources currently on the Berry Point Fire include 15 engines, four water tenders, six hand crews, three helicopters, two single engine air tankers (SEATs), three large air tankers and one lead plane. These resources are being supplied by the Fremont-Winema National Forest, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Lakeview District, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, ODF and contractors.

Due to the complexity of the fire, the South Center Oregon Type III Incident Management Team, under the leadership of Leland Hunter Incident Commander, has taken over the management of suppression efforts.

For public safety it is advisable to slow down when in the Dog Lake Road area as there will be increased fire traffic along Forest Service roads 3752 and 4017. The best option would be to avoid this area if you do not need to be in the vicinity.

For updated information, please call the South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership (SCOFMP) fire information hotline at 541-947-6223 or visit <http://twitter.com/scofmpfireinfo>.

Additional fire information can also be found at:

Klamath Falls Interagency Fire Center
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/kfifc/intel.html>

Lakeview Interagency Fire Center
<http://www.scofmp.org/lifc.shtml>

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Wednesday, August 8, 2012 0900

Berry Point Fire Update

SCOFMP Fire Information Officers:

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Road Closures:

Forest Service Road (FSR) 3940 - (Also known as Dent Creek Road), from its junction with FSR 3940398, south to its junction with FSR 4017022.

Forest Service Road (FSR) 3752 - from its junction with FSR 4017 northwest to its junction with FSR 3790.

Tuesday, August 7, Lake County Sheriff's Department, along with Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer Mark Suba, began notifying residents, landowners and people recreating in the area warning them that current or projected threats from hazards associated with the approaching fire(s) are severe. The warning was delivered due to the spread of the Berry Point Fire, located 22 miles southeast of Lakeview, Ore. At last estimate, the Berry Point Fire had spread to over 1,700 acres.

"Although we're swiftly working to stop this fire," said Leland Hunter Incident Commander, "the safety of human life is priority."

Firefighters were again challenged yesterday as strong, gusty winds, high temperatures and extremely heavy brush and timber pushed the fire to the north and northeast well into the night.

The weather forecast is for hot and dry conditions into the weekend with afternoon winds gusting up to 25 miles an hour.

There is a potential threat to the Dog Mountain Lookout.

Today, over 43 resources consisting of crews, helicopters, air tankers, engines, dozers and water tenders will work continue to establish control lines, protect any threatened structures or residences.

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Thursday, August 9, 2012 0900

Barry Point Fire Update

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Continued high temperatures, low humidity, gusty winds and thick vegetation fanned the flames of the Barry Point Fire making fighting the fire challenging yesterday. The fire pushed east towards Dog Mountain and grew to at least 2,000 acres.

With the eastern movement of the Barry Point Fire, the Dog Lake Campground was evacuated and closed for the safety of the recreating public last night. Additionally, two residences were notified about the increased risk.

The current path of Barry Point Fire is also threatening the Dog Mountain Lookout. Fire crews have applied a fire resistant shelter wrap to protect the structure from direct flame impingement.

The resources managed by the South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership (SCOFMP) Type III Incident Management Team (IMT), in yesterday's operations, included 16 hand crews, three helicopters, 26 engines, 12 dozers, 10 water tenders, two single engine air tankers (SEAT), three large air tankers and one lead plane.

As interagency fire crews continue to battle the Barry Point fire, the public can expect to see a lot of fire resources traveling up and down Hwy 140 west and heavy smoke that could impact visibility. Please use caution while traveling west of Lakeview, Ore.

Command and management of suppression efforts for the Barry Point Fire was transferred at 6 a.m. today to Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 (OR IIMT4) led by Incident Commander Brian Watts. An additional update will be released tonight at 8 p.m. and a new fire information number will be provided.

Road Closures:

- **Forest Service Road (FSR) 3940 - (Also known as Dent Creek Road), from its junction with FSR 3940398, south to its junction with FSR 4017022.**
- **FSR 4017 will be closed from the intersection of 4017 and the 3752 to Dog Lake Road 1-11D.**

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Barry Point FIRE UPDATE

August 10, 2012
10:00 a.m.

Fire Information

Phone:
(541) 576-4974

Email:
scofmpfireinfo@gmail.com

For Online Updates:
<http://inciweb.org/incident/3105/>

Current Status

The Barry Point Fire, sparked by lightning, is located 22 miles southwest of Lakeview, OR on the Fremont-Winema National Forest and also private lands.

Command and management of suppression efforts for the Barry Point Fire is under Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 (OR IIMT4), Incident Commander Brian Watts.

Full suppression efforts are being implemented on this incident using direct and indirect methods while maintaining firefighter and public safety as the top priority. Protection of private lands, structures and improvements is also a significant priority.

The fire is expected to experience very active fire behavior as hot and dry weather conditions will persist over the next several days. The east and south flanks of the fire continue to display very active fire behavior with rapid spread rate, torching and spotting.

A Level 3 evacuation remains in effect for residents on the west side of Drews Reservoir; the evacuation notice is being coordinated by the Lake County Sheriff Department.

A Level 3 evacuation notifies persons in the affected area that "current conditions present specific and immediate threat to life and safety". Structure protection resources are staged in the evacuation area; no structures have been reported as damaged or lost.

The public is invited to an informational Open House to be held at the Lakeview Fairgrounds on Saturday, August 11, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Estimated Acreage

11, 475 Acres

Containment

25 %

Cause and Date Started

Lightning: Monday August 06, 2012

Resources on the Fires

Approximately 830

Plans

Provide firefighter and public safety, provide structure protection. Continue to hold existing lines, with construction of new lines.

Fire Weather

The area will experience temperatures in the 90's. Winds will remain generally from the southwest with relative humidity in the single digits. Very dry weather will persist through the foreseeable future.

Cooperators

Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, USDA Forest Service



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August 11, 2012
8:00 a.m.

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THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN MEDFORD HAS ISSUED A RED FLAG WARNING, WHICH IS IN EFFECT FROM 2 PM TO 8 PM PDT ON SATURDAY
A Red Flag Warning is the highest fire forecast warning issued by the National Weather Service to warn of conditions that are ideal for wildland fire ignition and growth.

Firefighting operations continue to provide for protection of life, structure, and private and public land.

The east and south flanks of the fire continue to display the most active fire behavior, with torching and spotting. Winds out of the north persisted through the night resulting in a push to the south and east. Lines along most of the northwest and west perimeters continue to hold, with firefighters performing mop up and patrols in these areas.

A Level 3 Evacuation, coordinated by the Lake County Sheriff Department, remains in place for residents in the vicinity of Drews Reservoir. A Level 3 evacuation notifies persons in the affected area that "current conditions present specific and immediate threat to life and safety." A number of firefighting resources, including several engines and crews are working in the Drews Reservoir area to provide structure protection. Crews are clearing brush and other fuels from around the structures, providing a "defensible space".

A Level 1 Evacuation Advisory has been issued from Antelope Gap (Northeast end of Drews Reservoir) south to Andy Hill Road, south to include the west side of the Westside Road to the Oregon-California border. Level 1 advises persons to begin preparations in the event that an evacuation order is issued.

Estimated Acreage

12,700 Acres as of 9 p.m. August 10

Containment

25 %

Cause and Date Started

Lightning: Monday, August 6, 2012

Resources on the Fires

Approximately 930

Information Notice

The public is invited to an informational Open House, to be held at the Lakeview Fairgrounds today, August 11, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Plans

Maintain firefighter and public safety while providing structure, property and resource protection. Continue to hold lines; construct new lines tying in existing lines.

Fire Weather

The area will experience temperatures in the 90's. Winds will remain generally from the southwest with relative humidity in the single digits. Very dry weather will persist through the foreseeable future. Red Flag Warning in effect.

Cooperators

Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, USDA Forest Service

Command and management of suppression efforts for the Barry Point Fire is under Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 (OR IIMT4), Incident Commander Brian Watts



Barry Point

**FIRE UPDATE
Morning**

August 12, 2012

Fire Information

Phone:
(541) 576-4974
Email:

scofmpfireinfo@gmail.com

For Online Updates:

<http://inciweb.org/incident/3105/>

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Due to current and expected fire behavior and the need to provide for firefighter and public safety, the Fremont – Winema National Forest has put into place a **FIRE AREA CLOSURE**. The closure area is in the Dog Mountain / Dog Lake area, and includes all of, or portions of Forest Roads 4808, 4017, 4026, 3752, 3924, and 3940.

A **Level 3 Evacuation**, coordinated by the Lake County Sheriff Department, remains in place for residents in the vicinity of Drews Reservoir. A Level 3 evacuation notifies persons in the affected area that “current conditions present specific and immediate threat to life and safety.”

A number of firefighting resources, including several engines and crews continue working to provide structure protection.

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Estimated Acreage

30,725 acres

Containment

25%

Cause and Date Started

Lightning: Monday, August 6, 2012

Resources on the Fires

1,112

Plans

As of 6:00 p.m. on Sunday a National Incident Management Organization (NIMO), Incident Commander Steve Gage, and Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 (OR IIMT4), Incident Commander Brian Watts, will integrate into a single command.

The National Incident Management Organization (NIMO) is composed of seven member incident management teams with complex fire management as the primary focus of their positions.

Hold lines and continue mop up operations on the western and northwestern lines of the fire. Operations south of Dog Lake Road will consist of constructing bulldozer line to aid in the continuing effort to hold the fire from crossing the road and spreading north.

Working as close to the current fireline as conditions and safety will allow, while continuing to prepare contingency lines in the event fire growth surpasses established lines.

Fire Weather

RED FLAG WARNING- SUNDAY 2PM UNTIL 8PM

Sunday- Sunny, hot, dry and unstable. Highs 90-95, southwest winds 5 to 9 mph, humidity 7-11%.

Monday/Tuesday – Mostly clear, highs 85-92, west and northwest winds 3 to 10 mph.

Cooperators

Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, USDA Forest Service

Command and management of suppression efforts for the Barry Fire is under Oregon Interagency Incident Management Team 4 (OR IIMT4), Incident Commander Brian Watts



Barry Point

**FIRE UPDATE
Morning**

August 13, 2012

Fire Information

Phone:
(541) 576-4974
Email:

scofmpfireinfo@gmail.com
For Online Updates:
<http://inciweb.org/incident/3105/>

Current Status

The Barry Point Fire, sparked by lightning, is located 22 miles southwest of Lakeview, OR on the Fremont-Winema National Forest and also private lands.

Due to the potential for extreme fire behavior and the need to provide for firefighter and public safety, the Fremont – Winema National Forest has put into place a **FIRE AREA CLOSURE**. The closure area is in the Dog Mountain / Dog Lake area, and includes all of, or portions of Forest Roads 4808, 4017, 4026, 3752, 3924, and 3940.

A **Level 3 Evacuation**, coordinated by the Lake County Sheriff Department, remains in place for residents in the vicinity of Drews Reservoir. A Level 3 evacuation notifies persons in the affected area that "current conditions present specific and immediate threat to life and safety."

Emergency Response Personnel Ask For Your Cooperation:

Entry into closed area near the fire not only endangers your safety but also the safety of the firefighters and Emergency Response Personnel.

A **Level 1 Evacuation Advisory** is in effect from Antelope Gap (Northeast end of Drews Reservoir) on Highway 140, then east to Andy Hill Road, continuing south to include the area on the western side of Westside Road to the Oregon-California border. Level 1 advises persons to begin preparations in the event that an evacuation order is issued.

Residence of the Lakeview area will continue to see smoke. Residence to the south of the fire can expect to see smoke late Monday evening and Tuesday morning as winds shift to south.

Estimated Acreage

28,791 acres

Containment

25%

Cause and Date Started

Lightning: Monday, August 6, 2012

Resources on the Fires

1,218

Plans

Hold lines and continue mop up operations on the western and northwestern lines of the fire. Operations south of Dog Lake Road will consist of constructing bulldozer line to aid in the continuing effort to hold the fire from crossing the road and spreading north.

Implementation of plans to minimize damage to heritage resources.

Provide structure fire support to units requesting assistance.

Firefighters are working as close to the current fireline as conditions and safety will allow while continuing to prepare contingency lines in the event fire growth surpasses established lines.

Fire Weather

Monday – Mostly clear, highs 89-93, west and northwest winds 3 to 10 mph. Hot, dry and unstable conditions continue. Humidity 9-14%.
Tuesday – Sunny with afternoon cumulus buildups. Highs 89-94. Northwest to North winds 4 to 7 mph.

Cooperators

Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, USDA Forest Service.



Barry Point

**FIRE UPDATE
Morning**

August 14, 2012

Fire Information

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(541) 576-4974
Email:

barrypointfire@gmail.com

For Online Updates:

<http://inciweb.org/incident/3105/>

Current Status

The Barry Point Fire, sparked by lightning, is located 22 miles southwest of Lakeview, OR on the Fremont-Winema National Forest and also private lands.

A public meeting will be held at Lakeview High School Gym Wednesday 8/15/12 at 7:00.PM.

Special note: The meeting scheduled for Tuesday night is for landowners and grazing permittees only to help meet specific needs and questions about fire suppression activity near or on their lands. It is not a fire briefing for the general public. All other people are welcome to attend the Wednesday public meeting noted above in bold type.

Smoke will continue to be a problem in the Lakeview valley and south into California as northwest winds continue over the next couple of days.

The fire continued to push to the south and east Monday, crossing into California in the area of Muldoon Mt. last night. The portion south of the border grew approximately 4000 acres and moved 3.5 miles south of the border. This has caused a Level 3 Evacuation Notice in the area north of Beaver Dam Road.

On the west side of the fire and north end of Yocum Valley, the fire crossed the established fire line covering about 150 acres before being caught.

The fire is burning actively south of FS 4017 on the eastern perimeter. Crews worked Monday to complete contingency line 1-1 1/2 miles south of the eastern perimeter of the fire. A small controlled burnout was conducted Monday night; when conditions are favorable fire fighters will conduct further controlled burnouts (controlled burning of fuels between fire line and the fire eliminating fuels in front of the fire) to stop the fires spread to the east onto private land. This fire activity may be viewed from Lakeview and considerable smoke will be generated.

Residents of the Lakeview area will continue to see smoke. Residents to the south of the fire can expect to see smoke late Monday evening and Tuesday morning as winds shift to south.

We are also posting to these social media sites:
Inciweb: www.inciweb.org/incident/3105/#
Facebook: www.facebook.com/BarryPointOrFire
Twitter: www.twitter.com/barrypointfire
Blog: www.Barrypointfire.wordpress.com

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Due to the potential for extreme fire behavior and the need to provide for firefighter and public safety, the Fremont – Winema National Forest has put into in place a FIRE AREA CLOSURE and the County Sheriff’s of Lake County, Or. and Modoc County, Ca. have Evacuation Orders posted. Please refer to Inciweb.org for complete information.

Estimated Acreage

43,677 acres

Containment

25%

Cause and Date Started	Lightning: Monday, August 6, 2012
Resources on the Fires	1,423
Plans	<p>Hold lines and continue mop up operations on the western and northwestern lines of the fire. Operations south of Dog Lake Road will consist of constructing bulldozer line to aid in the continuing effort to hold the fire from crossing the road and spreading north.</p> <p>Implementation of plans to minimize damage to heritage resources.</p> <p>Provide structure fire support to units requesting assistance.</p> <p>Firefighters are working as close to the current fireline as conditions and safety will allow while continuing to prepare contingency lines in the event fire growth surpasses established lines.</p>
Fire Weather	<p>Tuesday – Sunny with afternoon cumulus buildups. Highs 89-94. Northwest to North winds 4 to 7 mph.</p> <p>Wednesday – Sunny with afternoon cumulus buildups. Lows 50-55. Highs 88-92. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west in the afternoon.</p>
Cooperators	Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, USDA Forest Service.



Barry Point Fire

Fire Information Update

www.inciweb.org/incident/3105/# fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema
www.pnw2.com

Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Wednesday, August 15, 2012 – 8:00 p.m. PST Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	79,000*	30%	1347

* The fire acreage was reported last night as 84,684 acres. The change is due to more accurate mapping from an overnight infrared flight.

A public meeting is being arranged for Friday evening in Alturas. More information will follow when final arrangements are made.

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- Hot temperatures, low relative humidity, unstable air and exceedingly dry fuels continue to contribute to large fire growth.
- The east side of the fire was very active Wednesday night and pushed the fire to the floor of the valley near Westside.
- Two additional homes were placed in Level 3 Evacuation status last night west of the Westside Road. Structure protection engines responded burnouts were completed and the protection efforts were successful.
- Burnout operations on the northeast corner of the fire from Forest Road 4020 north to the Dog Lake Road were completed yesterday. This should allow firefighters to finish securing the northeast corner of the fire in the areas near Drews Reservoir.
- The fire has moved past Crowder Flat Guard Station and Willow Creek Ranch in Modoc County. Structures at the guard station, the ranch and the historic Beaver Dam Cabin were saved thanks to dozer line and water drops that were done on Monday.
- The fire moved to the south past Modoc National Forest Road 73 and burned down to Fletcher Creek. It held there last night and is expected to continue to expand to the south today.

Barry Point Fire: Firefighters have made very good progress on the north and northwest flanks of the fire. Those areas will now be in patrol status; the southern flank will continue to challenge firefighters due to rugged terrain and active fire behavior but a significant number of resources have been moved to the south end as firefighters work to contain the southern end. The fire line on the northwest side of the fire is completed and mopped up and will be in patrol mode. Crews and dozers were reassigned to the eastern, southeastern and southwestern areas of the fire. They are working to complete fire line along the east and west flanks of the fire.

The Level 3 evacuation at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road will remain in place through the weekend until firefighters are sure the fireline will hold through expected southwest winds.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place on the south end of Drews Reservoir and the west shore of Goose Lake from the California-Oregon border south to Forest Road 73. A Level 1 evacuation remains from the south side of Oregon Highway 140 at Drew's Gap west of Lakeview then west of Andy Hill Road headed south and continuing south on the west side of the Westside Road in Lake County to the Oregon-California border. Two of the residences west of the Westside Road in the Lakeview Valley were upgraded from a Level 1 to a Level 3 evacuation Wednesday night.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1347 personnel assigned to the fire, including 4 hotshot crews, 29 hand crews, 5 assigned helicopters, 86 engines, 12 dozers and 30 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Heat exhaustion associated illness, smoke and poor visibility, narrow dirt roads and firefighter fatigue.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: cultural resources

WEATHER: Thursday will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs will be somewhat cooler from 85 to 89 and the minimum relative humidity will increase from 15 to 20%. Light wind will become north to west between 3 and 9 mph later in the afternoon.

WEATHER OUTLOOK: Fire Weather Watch Friday through Saturday for Thunderstorms.....

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of a thunderstorm. Lows from 54-59. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph becoming northeast. Winds could be gusty in the vicinity of the thunderstorms.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms late in the afternoon and overnight. Highs 85 to 89. Northeast wind 3 to 6 mph becoming southwest 4 to 8 mph.

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 82 to 87. Gusty south to southwest winds from 7 to 15 mph.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Critically dry fuels, high temperatures and rugged terrain continue to create potential for large fire growth.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service.

For further Barry Point Fire Information see:

www.pnw2.com

www.inciweb.org/incident/3105/#

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Barry Point Fire

Fire Information Update

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TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Critically dry fuels, high temperatures and rugged terrain continue to create potential for large fire growth.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, Lake County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Friday, August 17, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	83,901	30%	1320

A public

meeting will be held in Alturas this evening (Friday) at 6 pm at the Desert Rose Casino Event Center

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- There is a **Red Flag Warning** in effect from 4 pm today through 8 pm PDT Saturday for abundant dry lightning and dry fuels. Initial attack resources are available to respond to any new starts in the fire area.
- Hot temperatures, low relative humidity, unstable air and exceedingly dry fuels continue to contribute to large fire growth.
- Overnight temperatures were very warm and there was little humidity recovery so the fire was very active. There was significant growth on portions of the east side of the fire.
- Between Renner Lake and Sibley Lake the fire moved southeast across the Beaver Dam Road about 3 miles. Firefighters are scouting to determine what their options are to control the area where the fire breached the line.
- Further south the fire crossed Fletcher Creek and moved about 2 miles to the east. Dozers are working directly along the edge from the south in a northeasterly direction to control it.

Barry Point Fire: Firefighters are working hard to further mop up and secure fire lines on the north and northeast corners in expectation of thunderstorms and strong gusty southwesterly winds this weekend. The east and southeast sides of the fire continue to challenge firefighters due to rugged terrain and active fire behavior. A significant number of resources have been moved to assist. They are working to complete fire line along the south and east sides of the fire and in those areas where the fire crossed the line last night.

Firefighters continue to patrol the north and northwest areas of the fire.

The Level 3 evacuation at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road will remain in place until firefighters are sure the fire line will hold through expected southwest winds.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place on the south end of Drews Reservoir and the west shore of Goose Lake from the California-Oregon border south to Forest Road 73. A Level 1 evacuation remains from the south side of Oregon Highway 140 at Drew's Gap west of Lakeview then west of Andy Hill Road headed south and continuing south on the west side of the Westside Road in Lake County to the Oregon-California border.

Closures: On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all National Forest lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, Dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway 140), Dent Creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1320 personnel assigned to the fire, including 4 hotshot crews, 29 hand crews, 5 helicopters, 87 engines, 14 dozers and 30 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Heat exhaustion associated illness, smoke and poor visibility, narrow dirt roads and firefighter fatigue.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: cultural resources

WEATHER: Friday will be sunny in the morning becoming partly cloudy with a slight chance of late afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. It will be warmer today with high temperatures from 89 to 95 and relative humidity in the low to mid teens. Light and variable wind in the morning will become westerly from 3 to 7 mph in the afternoon. Winds will be strong, gusty and variable in the vicinity of any thunderstorms.

WEATHER OUTLOOK: Fire Weather Watch Friday through Saturday for abundant lightning and dry fuels.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows will be from 58 to 64. The maximum RH in those areas where it isn't influenced by any rain from thundershowers will be 45-55%. Winds will be from the northwest from 5 to 10 mph and gusty in the vicinity of thundershowers.
Saturday: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Highs will be 82 to 87. The minimum RH will be 20-25%. Winds will be from the southwest 5 to 15 mph and gusty.
Sunday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning. Lows will be from 49 to 54. Highs will be 80 to 85% and the minimum RH around 20%. Winds will be 5 to 15 mph from the southwest

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Critically dry fuels, high temperatures, gusty winds in the vicinity of thunderstorms, and rugged terrain continue to create potential for large fire growth.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Saturday, August 18, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	89,039	32%	1398

The Oregon National Guard will arrive on the Barry Point Fire this afternoon with three helicopters capable of dropping water to assist the firefighting effort.

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- There is a **Red Flag Warning** in effect through 8 pm PDT Saturday for abundant dry lightning and dry fuels. Initial attack resources are available to respond to any new starts in the fire area.
- Last night's thunderstorms ignited the Antelope Fire east of Drews Reservoir. Resources from the Barry Point Fire were quickly reassigned and it is now 75% contained at 20 acres.
- Despite wind gusts to 40 mph associated with thunderstorms last night there was little growth in the fire.
- Today's anticipated thunderstorms will make for a critical weather day. Cooler temperatures and predicted moisture will assist with suppression efforts.

Barry Point Fire: Crews have made excellent progress with fire line construction allowing them to start focusing on mop up and patrol on some portions of the fire. Burnout operations will continue as needed.

Firefighters are working hard to further mop up and secure fire lines on the northeast side. There is still fire line that needs to be completed and tied together on the south and southeast side. Those areas continue to pose challenges to firefighters due to rugged terrain and active fire behavior.

Firefighters continue to patrol the north and west areas of the fire.

The Level 3 evacuation at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road will remain in place until firefighters are sure the fire line will hold through gusty winds associated with this weekend's weather system.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place on the south end of Drews Reservoir and the west shore of Goose Lake from the California-Oregon border south to Forest Road 73. A Level 1 evacuation remains from the south side of Oregon Highway 140 at Drew's Gap west of Lakeview then west of Andy Hill Road headed south and continuing south on the west side of the Westside Road in Lake County to the Oregon-California border.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Sunday August 19th , 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,941	46%	1,338

The Oregon National Guard has arrived on the Barry Point Fire with three helicopters capable of dropping water to assist the firefighting effort.

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- The Antelope Fire east of Drews Reservoir started from lightning Friday night is now 100% contained at 20 acres.
- Firefighters took advantage of favorable weather conditions to complete line around the entire perimeter.

Barry Point Fire: Both day and night crews made excellent progress with fire line construction around the entire fire. Today's actions will focus on improving and securing the minimal line on the SE corner and patrolling the other portions of the fire. It will likely take a few days to ensure the lines are secure enough to withstand any weather challenge.

Weather today should be favorable for the mop-up within the lines. The possibility of spotting from interior flare-ups will increase as the fuels dry out through the afternoon, but will still be less than what firefighters have encountered on previous days.

Fire personnel have designated initial attack resources to respond to any new starts near the fire and assist local units if needed. Yesterday, engines and crews helped the Fremont-Winema National Forest on a new start that is now contained.

The Level 3 evacuation at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road will remain in place until firefighters are confident the lines near structures and private property will hold through gusty winds.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place on the south end of Drews Reservoir and the west shore of Goose Lake from the California-Oregon border south to Forest Road 73. A Level 1 evacuation remains from the south side of Oregon Highway 140 at Drew's Gap west of Lakeview then west of Andy Hill Road headed south and continuing south on the west side of the Westside Road in Lake County to the Oregon-California border.

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On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1,338 personnel assigned to the fire, including 4 hotshot crews, 27 hand crews, 6 helicopters, 94 engines, 17 dozers and 34 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Heat exhaustion associated illness, smoke and poor visibility, narrow dusty roads firefighter fatigue and snags.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: More seasonally normal conditions have returned to the area with respect to temperatures and relative humidity levels and the degree of the instability across the area. High temperatures will be from 79-84. Relative humidity will be 14-19%. Winds will be out of the southwest from 3 - 6 mph in the morning becoming westerly 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Clear and cooler. Lows 40-45 valleys and around 50 ridges. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north overnight.

Monday: Mostly clear. Highs 81-86. Minimum RH 15-20%. West winds 5 to 10 mph.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy. Lows 42-47. Highs 79-84. Minimum RH near 15%. West winds 10 to 15 mph and gusty.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Expect an increase in activity today as fuels continue to dry and internal islands burn out. Expect a slight increase in spotting potential but due to the normalizing of the weather, burn periods will be shorter as night time humidity levels continue to rise.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Monday August 20th , 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,941	48%	1,338

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- All Evacuation notices in Oregon have been lifted.
- Today firefighters will work to secure all lines further into the interior of the fire in anticipation of stronger winds forecast for today and tomorrow.
- The Oregon National Guard has arrived on the Barry Point Fire with three helicopters capable of dropping water to assist the firefighting effort.
- Demobilization of excess resources has started.
- Fire rehabilitation is beginning.
- While residents will see smoke from islands of unburned fuel within the Barry Point Fire, anticipated southwest winds will push additional smoke from several large fires in California including the Chips, Reading, Rush and Ponderosa fires.

Barry Point Fire: The night shift experienced excellent humidity recovery last night as well as much cooler temperatures. Today's crews will continue to mop-up, moving further into the interior.

Weather today is expected to be slightly warmer and drier than yesterday. Winds are forecasted to increase this afternoon, becoming southwesterly to near twenty mph. The possibility of spotting from interior flare-ups will increase as the fuels dry out through the afternoon, but will still be less than firefighters encountered on previous days.

Fire personnel have designated initial attack resources to respond to any new starts near the fire and assist local units if needed. Yesterday, engines and crews helped the Fremont-Winema National Forest on a new start that is now contained.

The Level 3 evacuation at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road are lifted.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place on the west shore of Goose Lake from the California-Oregon border south to Forest Road 73.

Closures: On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all National Forest lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, Dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway 140), Dent Creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1,297 personnel assigned to the fire, including 4 hotshot crews, 25 hand crews, 8 helicopters, 91 engines, 16 dozers and 34 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Smoke and poor visibility, narrow dusty roads, firefighter fatigue, snags and ash pits.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: Today expect sunny conditions with a chance of afternoon cumulus buildup in the afternoon. Temperatures will be in the mid to upper eighties with relative humidity into the lower teens. Light northeasterly winds this morning will shift to the southwest this afternoon, with gusts up to 20 mph.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Clear and cooler. Lows 44-50. West to southwest winds 5 to 10 mph with gusts of 15.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy becoming windy. Highs 78-83. Southwest winds 3 to 7 mph, increasing to 12 to 19 with gusts of 30 possible.

Wednesday: Mostly clear. Lows 40-45. Highs 75-80. West to southwest winds 5 to 10 mph and gusty.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Expect an increase in activity today as fuels continue to dry and internal islands burn out. Be aware of spotting potential next to containment lines if flare-ups occur.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Tuesday, August 21st, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,689*	51%	1,256

**Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.*

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- Today firefighters will continue to secure all lines further into the interior of the fire in preparation for strong gusty southwesterly winds to 30 mph which are expected this afternoon.
- The Oregon National Guard is working on the Barry Point Fire with three helicopters capable of dropping water to assist the firefighting effort.
- Demobilization of excess resources is continuing.
- Residents will continue to see smoke from islands of unburned fuel within the Barry Point Fire for the foreseeable future. Today, south-southwest winds will push additional smoke from several large fires in California including the Chips, Reading, Rush and Ponderosa fires.

Barry Point Fire:

Fire line has been constructed around the entire perimeter of the fire. There are still unburned areas of fuel between the black and the fire line. Crews will be paying particular attention to mop up in these areas. They are also using handheld infrared (IR) devices to locate pockets of heat that aren't apparent from visual inspection.

Fire personnel have designated initial attack resources to respond to any new starts near the fire and assist local units if needed. Yesterday, engines and crews helped the Fremont-Winema National Forest on a new start that is now contained.

The Level 3 evacuations at Drew's Lake and the Level 1 on the south side of Highway 140 from Drews Gap to Andy Hill Road and down the west side of the Westside Road are lifted.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place for three residences on the west shore of Goose Lake in California.

Closures: On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all National Forest lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, Dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway 140), Dent Creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1,256 personnel assigned to the fire, including 4 hotshot crews, 24 hand crews, 7 helicopters, 90 engines, 15 dozers and 34 water tenders.

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SAFETY CONCERNS: Smoke and poor visibility, narrow dusty roads, firefighter fatigue, snags and ash pits.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: It will be sunny today with cumulus buildups in the afternoon. Temperatures will be cooler with highs from 77 to 82 and minimum relative humidity will be from 13-18%. Winds will be light from the southwest in the morning becoming 5 to 15 mph with gusts to 30 mph by afternoon.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Mostly clear. Lows will be from 45 to 50 on the ridges and 39 to 44 in the valleys. Winds will be west to northwest from 4 to 10 mph with gusts to 30 easing off after 9 pm and becoming light by morning.

Wednesday: Clear. Lows will be from 40 to 45 with highs from 76 to 82. Winds will be west to southwest from 4 to 9 mph.

Thursday: Mostly clear. Lows will be from 40 to 45 and highs from 77 to 83. Expect west to southwest winds from 5 to 15 mph with higher gusts.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR: Lower relative humidity, sunny skies and strong gusty southwesterly winds will test the fire line on the east side of the fire today. Firefighters will need to be vigilant in their search for spot fires, particularly where there is unburned vegetation between burned areas and the improved fire line.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard.

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Wednesday, August 22nd, 2012 – 8:00 p.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,231*	65%	1,131

**Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.*

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- The fire line held during yesterday's strong southwest winds.
- Resources from the Barry Point Fire were sent to a new fire in the Devil's Garden area of the Modoc National Forest. The Antelope Fire is about 200 acres and is almost completely lined this morning.
- Demobilization of excess resources is continuing.
- The Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation Team (BAER, pronounced bear) has arrived. They will be developing a comprehensive rehabilitation plan for the burned area over the next few weeks.
- Area residents will continue to see smoke from islands of unburned fuel within the Barry Point Fire for the foreseeable future

Barry Point Fire:

Fire line has been constructed around the entire perimeter of the fire. There are still unburned areas of fuel between the black and the fire line. Crews will be paying particular attention to mop up in these areas. They are also using handheld infrared (IR) devices to locate pockets of heat that aren't apparent from visual inspection.

Rehabilitation has begun on the fire. Crews are busy constructing water bars on fire line to reduce or eliminate the affects of water running down steeper slopes; pulling back and leveling berms created by dozers and; chipping limbs and small trees that were cut to clear the fire line to reduce future fuel levels.

Fire personnel have designated initial attack resources to respond to any new starts near the fire and assist local units if needed. Yesterday, engines and crews helped the Fremont-Winema National Forest on a new start that is now contained.

Evacuations: A Level 3 evacuation remains in place for three residences on the west shore of Goose Lake in California.

Closures: On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all National Forest lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, Dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway 140), Dent Creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1,131 personnel assigned to the fire, including 2 hotshot crews, 21 hand crews, 8 helicopters, 86 engines, 10 dozers and 32 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Smoke and poor visibility, narrow dusty roads, firefighter fatigue, snags and ash pits.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: Today will be sunny and cool with highs from 76 to 81. Relative humidities will be from 15 to 20%. Winds will mostly be light and westerly excepting gusts to 12 mph on the southern end of the fire in the afternoon.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Clear. Temperatures will range from 45 to 50 on the ridges and 38 to 43 in the valleys. Relative humidities will be from 40 to 45% on the ridges and 65 to 75% in the valleys.

Thursday: Mostly clear. Highs will be from 79 to 84 and lows from 40 to 45. Winds will be west to southwest from 5 to 15 mph with gusts around 25 mph.

Friday: Mostly clear. Highs 75 to 80 and lows from 38 to 44. Winds will be from the northwest from 5 to 15 mph.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Cooler temperatures, lower relative humidities and light winds will give the firefighters a break today. Interior pockets of fuel will continue to burn.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard, Collins Pine.

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Thursday, August 23rd, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,071*	70%	1042

**Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.*

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- With the slowing of the fire, crews are taking a more direct approach on the fire perimeter at the 412 road and the Dry Creek drainage to minimize potential impacts to private rangeland.
- Crews continue to patrol and mop up the fire line, as well as cutting hazard trees and snags along the perimeter.
- As the inversion lifts, southwest to west winds are expected to pick up today, with gusts 20-30 mph.
- Demobilization of excess resources is continuing; the National Guard Blackhawk helicopters are being released from the fire today.
- The Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation Team (BAER, pronounced bear) has arrived. They will be developing a comprehensive rehabilitation plan for the burned area over the next few weeks.
- Area residents will continue to see smoke from islands of unburned fuel within the Barry Point Fire for the foreseeable future. Smoke from California fires may also continue to impact air quality in the area.
- Forest closures on the Modoc National Forest and the Fremont-Winema National Forest remain in place.
- On Saturday, August 25, the fire will be turned over from Pacific Northwest Team 2 to the South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership Type III Team.

Barry Point Fire:

Patrol and mop up of the fire line, which has been constructed around the entire perimeter, continues. Fallers continue to work on removing hazard trees. Excess equipment is being pulled from the fire line. There are still unburned areas of fuel between the black and the fire line; crews will be paying particular attention to mop up in these areas.

Rehabilitation has begun on the fire. Crews are busy constructing water bars on fire line to reduce or eliminate the affects of water running down steeper slopes, pulling back and leveling berms created by dozers and chipping limbs and small trees that were cut to clear the fire line.

Closures: On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all National Forest lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, Dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway 140), Dent Creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.
Resources: A total of 1,042 personnel assigned to the fire, including 1 hotshot crew, 20 type II hand crews, 8 helicopters (a number of helicopters being released during today's shift), 73 engines, 11 dozers and 31 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Snags, smoke and poor visibility, narrow dusty roads, chipping operations, firefighter fatigue, ash pits.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: Gusts from 20-30 mph are expected this afternoon and evening across the fire area. Today will be sunny and cool with highs from 76 to 81. Relative humidities will be lower than yesterday, ranging from 11% to 16%.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Clear. Temperatures will range from 44 to 49 on the ridges and 37 to 41 in the valleys. Relative humidities will be from 45 to 55% on the ridges and 65 to 75% in the valleys.

Friday: Mostly clear. Highs will be from 75 to 80 and lows from 38 to 44. Winds will be northwest from 5 to 15 mph with higher gusts.

Saturday: Mostly clear. Highs 75 to 80 and lows from 38 to 44. Winds will be from the south from 5 to 9 mph.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Windier conditions will test containment lines today. Daytime temperatures and low humidity will continue to allow for flare-ups in the interior of the fire. For tonight, cooler temperatures and good humidity recovery will minimize fire behavior.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard, Collins Pine.

For further Barry Point Fire Information see:

www.pnw2.com

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Barry Point Fire

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Contact: Public Information Office 1-541-576-4974

Friday, August 24th, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. PDT Fire Status Update

Fire	Acres	% Contained	Total Personnel
Barry Point	93,071	73%	843

News & Events for the Barry Point Fire:

- All evacuations have been lifted in Oregon and California.
- Crews continue to patrol for isolated heat and mop up the fire line, as well as cutting hazard trees and snags along the perimeter.
- Today there will be light easterly winds on the fire, with a possibility of a change to the west in the afternoon. This should have little effect on fire behavior.
- As the containment of the fire continues to increase, so will the demobilization of resources. The fire camp will relocate to the little league fields in Lakeview, Oregon on Saturday.
- The Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation Team (BAER, pronounced bear) has arrived. They will be developing a comprehensive rehabilitation plan for the burned area over the next few weeks.
- Rehabilitation efforts are underway. Crews are chipping branches and cleaning up dozer lines created for suppression of fire.
- Area residents will continue to see smoke from islands of unburned fuel within the Barry Point Fire for the foreseeable future. Smoke from California fires may also continue to impact air quality in the area.
- Forest closures on the Modoc National Forest and the Fremont-Winema National Forest remain in place.
- Tomorrow, August 25, the fire will be turned over from Pacific Northwest Team 2 to the South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership Type III Team.

Barry Point Fire:

Patrol and mop up of the fire line, which has been constructed around the entire perimeter, continues. Fallers continue to work on removing hazard trees. Excess equipment is being pulled from the fire line. There are still unburned areas of fuel between the black and the fire line; crews will be paying particular attention to mop up in these areas.

Rehabilitation has begun on the fire. Crews are busy constructing water bars on fire line to reduce or eliminate the affects of water running down steeper slopes, pulling back and leveling berms created by dozers and chipping limbs and small trees that were cut to clear the fire line.

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FIRE FACTS:

Barry Point Fire: Started: August 6, 2012 **Cause:** lightning **Location:** Began 22 miles west of Lakeview, OR.

Resources: A total of 843 personnel assigned to the fire, including 1 hotshot crew, 15 type II hand crews, 4 helicopters, 48 engines, 7 dozers and 18 water tenders.

SAFETY CONCERNS: Snags, firefighter fatigue, wild animals, narrow dusty roads, chipping operations, smoke and poor visibility, ash pits.

RESOURCE CONCERNS: Cultural resources and impacts to livestock grazing and commercial, federal, and private timber land.

WEATHER: Today's weather will be sunny with highs from 74-79 with light winds out of the north/northeast. Relative humidity will drop to 10-15% as the day progresses.

WEATHER OUTLOOK:

Tonight: Clear. Temperatures will range from 47 to 52 on the ridges and 39 to 44 in the valleys. Relative humidities will be from 25% to 35% on the ridges and 60% to 70% in the valleys.

Saturday: Clear. Highs will be from 77 to 83 and lows from 38 to 44. Winds will be southwest from 5 to 9 mph.

Sunday: Mostly clear. Highs 78 to 83 and lows from 42 to 48. Winds will be from the southwest from 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts.

TODAY'S EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Late afternoon warming and drying still poses a risk for flare-ups and spotting in the interior area of the fire. With weather cooling overnight, burning periods will continue to diminish.

COOPERATING AGENCIES & PARTNERS: Fremont-Winema and Modoc National Forests, Oregon Department of Forestry, CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Modoc County Sheriff, Lakeview Police Department, American Red Cross, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Oregon National Guard, Collins Pine.

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** As of Saturday, August 25th, Barry Point Fire will be updated to a new facebook page. Visit

www.facebook.com/scofmp

The text messages from 40404 have been disabled.

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Saturday, August 26, 2012 0900

Barry Point Fire Update

SCOFMP Fire Information Officers:

Lucinda Nolan: 541-728-1999

Ashley Du Brey

Fire Information: 541-947-2719

Road Closures:

On the Fremont-Winema National Forest all the National Forest Lands, recreation sites, roads and trails in Yokum Valley, the Fitzwater/Point Ranch area, dog Mountain, Long Valley, Drews Valley (south of Highway140), Dent creek and Barry Point.

On the Modoc National Forest the entire area, including all roads, from the Oregon/California border south to the Big Sage Management Area then to the west to the 73 Road and east to Goose Lake.

Also, on the Modoc NF the James Camp Ground is closed.

News and Events for Barry Point Fire:

- **Road closures in California and Oregon are still in effect. For your safety, do not enter the fire area unless deemed absolutely necessary; heavy fire traffic is to be expected.**
- A Red Flag Warning is in effect starting Sunday, 26, at 12 due to increased winds ranging from 20-30 mpg mid-afternoon with temperatures from 75-80.
- Smoke and interior smoldering may increase due to a surge in wind activity; however, this will occur in areas surrounded by burned regions, not allowing the fire to escape the perimeter.
- All evacuations have been lifted in Oregon and California.
- The roads will remain closed until it is determined to be safe for the public to go back into the fire area.
- Crews continue to patrol the fire area, addressing hot areas within the interior of the fire.
- Mop-up and rehabilitation work is underway and is 50% completed in the northern region.
- Area residents will continue to see smoke from the unburned islands.
- This fire is not the only cause for the impact on air quality as there are a number of fires burning in California and Oregon that are contributing factors.
- The Fire is now under the management of the South Central Oregon Management Partnership Type 3 Team Leland Hunter Incident Commander.

Location: Lakeview, Oregon
Date Started: 08/06/12
Cause: Lightning
Size: 93,071 acres
Containment: 95%
Injuries: 2
Total Personnel: 632
Resources: Crews: 17, Helicopters: 1-light,1-medium, 1-heavy lift; Engines: 35, Water tenders: 13 Dozers: 4

Information line (541) 947-2719

- www.inciweb.org/incident/3105
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- www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema
- www.twitter.com/barrypointfire

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Wednesday, August 29, 2012 0900

Barry Point Fire Update

SCOFMP Fire Information Officers:
Fire Information: 541-947-2719

- www.inciweb.org/incident/3105
- www.facebook.com/scofmp
- www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema

The Barry Point Fire is now 100% contained. Approximately 270 miles of fireline, built by hand and dozer, are containing the fire. Mop-up and suppression repair efforts are in full swing with 465 personnel now focused on ensuring the fire stays within the containment lines and the effects of the suppression activities meet rehabilitation standards established for National Forest System lands, The Collins Companies, and private landowners.

The Oregon Department of Forestry is supporting the mop-up and fireline rehabilitation supplying an entire division devoted to working with private landowners of fire-effected property. This includes mopping up 300 feet inside the fireline, cooling down interior islands that have the potential to reburn, and assessing damage to fences, culverts and other infrastructure. "We're glad to be able to continue to support our constituents and get their lives back to normal as quickly as possible," said Deputy Incident Commander Kevin Burdon of the Oregon Department of Forestry.

The fire severity is highly variable within the perimeter from areas hit by very hot, stand replacing crown fire to very low impact surface fire. There are heavy fuels and islands of unburned brush and trees within the fire perimeter that may still burn. Putting firefighters in these areas, however, would expose them to significant risk while not impacting suppression objectives as they are inside the perimeter. These unburned fuels will continue to burn and produce smoke until they burn out or a weather-changing event such as heavy rains or snow put them out. There is no threat to homes and the fire will continue to be monitored.

Even though the fire is now contained, area closures in California and Oregon are still in effect to provide public and firefighter safety as crews and equipment continue to work in the area.

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Location: Lakeview, Oregon
Date Started: 08/06/12
Cause: Lightning
Size: 93,071 acres
Containment: 100%
Injuries: 2
Total Personnel: 465
Resources: Crews: 9, Helicopters: 1-light, Engines: 30, Water tenders: 4, Dozers: 5

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Thursday, August 30, 2012 0900

Barry Point Fire Update

Fire Information: 541-947-2719

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- www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema

Crews are completing the mop-up phase of the Barry Point Fire and the focus now is on ensuring that the fire lines, suppression damage and roads used to contain the fire are repaired to a state that will provide public safety and protect the land and resources. This work includes, among other things, hazard tree removal, installing waterbars, chipping slash, removing berms, and pulling material back over the fire lines to protect the ground from erosion. Unburned fuels well within the interior of the fire perimeter will continue to burn and produce smoke until they burn out or a weather-changing event, such as heavy rains or snow, put them out. There is no threat to homes and the fire will continue to be monitored.

“This fire burned at a variety of intensities, creating a mosaic of ecological and visual effects,” notes Incident Commander Steve Gage. “At times it was a hot, fast moving crown fire that burned nearly everything in its path, but at other times it laid down and became a lower intensity ground fire. This is the normal process of fires in these types of burning conditions.”

A 15 member Burned Area Emergency Response Team (BAER) is completing its assessment of the effects of the Barry Point Fire and will be submitting recommendations by the end of the week. BAER is focused on alleviating emergency conditions to help stabilize soil; control water, sediment and debris movement; prevent impairment of ecosystems; mitigate significant threats to health, safety, life, property and downstream values at risk. BAER does not seek to replace what is damaged by fire, but to reduce further damage due to the land being temporarily exposed in a fragile condition. Using a variety of methods, from satellite imagery, to aerial reconnaissance, to ground-truthing, these specialists identify the resource values affected by the fire, analyze the risk the post-fire conditions present in the immediate future, and make recommendations to mitigate any serious threats. BAER can be thought of as “first aid” to the fire area.

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Date Started: 08/06/12 Lakeview, Oregon	Containment: 100%
Cause: Lightning	Injuries: 3
Size: 93,071 acres	Total Personnel: 374
Resources: Crews: 6, Helicopters: 1-light, Engines: 26, Water tenders: 3, Dozers: 1	