



# Malheur National Forest

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## **MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST GOES TO IFPL I**

John Day, OR – Effective at 0001, Friday, September 22, the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) on all of the Malheur National Forest will be lowered to IFPL I, announced Rob Batten, Deputy Fire Management Officer.

Under IFPL I, fire season requirements are in effect. In addition to other fire prevention measures, a Fire Watch is required at this and all higher levels unless otherwise waived.

“The change in the weather has reduced though not completely eliminated the risk of wildfire,” said Batten. “Therefore, we are still asking visitors to be extremely cautious with anything that could start a fire. Historically, unattended campfires, or campfires that have not been completely extinguished, have been our biggest human caused reason for wildfires. Campers and visitors to the forest are urged to make sure their campfires are completely put out and not left unattended.”

Updated information will be posted on the Forest website at [www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur](http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur) as changes are made, or you may call 541-575-3000 for further information.

To report a forest fire, call Malheur National Forest Dispatch at 541-575-1321.

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