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FIRE UPDATE

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Fire activity update as we head into hot, holiday weekend

JOHN DAY, OR – John Day Interagency Dispatch Center (JDIDC) for the **North half of the Malheur National Forest**, and Burns Interagency Contact Center (BICC) that covers the **South half** of the forest, had little activity to report for yesterday.

Initial attack and air support resources have been successful in fully containing the majority of all new fires reported this season. All of the fires are staffed as needed, with most being less than one acre in size. Firefighters will monitor these fires and continue to watch for additional starts as fire danger indices remain high with little relief in sight. General winds across the landscape remain light today but will pick up on Friday and add to the large fire potential.

The **Harper Creek Complex**, nine miles southwest of John Day, is now 100% contained. Resources are now patrolling and gridding the fire, checking for any further hot spots and smokes.

The **Jones Canyon Fire**, 20 miles southwest of Ukiah, OR, has shown little activity in the past couple of days. Resources will be released at a steady rate over the next two days.

Eleven miles south of Dayville is the **Corner Creek Fire** that is now estimated at 12,750 acres and 0% contained, burning in brush, grass, and timber on the west side of the South Fork John Day River, about 11 miles south of Dayville on the Ochoco National Forest, Bureau of Land Management Prineville District, and private lands. Oregon Department of Forestry, Incident Management Team 1 has assumed responsibility of this fire, as well as, the **Sugarloaf Fire**, which started on June 27, burning nine miles north of Dayville, OR. This fire is now reported at 5,057 acres, and 65% contained. Information Officer, Brian Ballou reports that information on these fires can be found at www.centralorfireinfo.blogspot.com or by calling 541-987-2348.

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality reports that the air quality in the John Day Valley remains GOOD. This information can be monitored by visiting <http://www.deq.state.or.us/aqi/index.aspx>, or follow Oregon Smoke Information at <http://www.oregonSmoke.blogspot.com/>.

The fire danger rating across the Malheur National Forest is currently at HIGH. Industrial Fire Precaution Level II and Phase A of Public Use Restrictions are in effect forest-wide.

For more information on the Malheur National Forest, please visit us at www.fs.usda.gov/malheur, follow [U.S. Forest Service- Malheur National Forest](#) on Facebook, and follow [@MalheurNF](#) on Twitter for all the latest forest news.

For additional forest information, contact 541-575-3000. To report a fire, please contact the John Day Interagency Dispatch Center at 541-575-1321, or Burns Interagency Communication Center at 541-573-1000.

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