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August 20, 2015 8:00 p.m. Prairie Fire Update

Tennant, CA –At the time of this release firefighters have constructed containment line around a new fire on the Goosenest Ranger District of the Klamath National Forest. The 100 acre Prairie Fire in the LaHonda Well area northeast of the community of Tennant was reported around 4:00 p.m. this afternoon. Active spotting and high winds, and poor visibility contributed to active fire growth.

Approximately 30,000 fire fighters (including 191 from the Klamath National Forest) are currently deployed to large fires across California, Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Firefighting resources responding to the Prairie fire include crews and equipment from the Klamath and Shasta-Trinity, Mendocino and Plumas National Forests, CAL FIRE, Pleasant Valley, South Yreka, Hammond Ranch, Mt Shasta City, Mt Shasta District, Dunsmuir, and Butte Valley Fire Departments as well as Contract Crews and equipment. The cause of the Prairie Fire is under investigation.

Every preventable wildfire puts fire fighters and the public at risk and reduces the response capability of fire departments to respond to the next fire. To find out more about what you can do to prevent human caused, unwanted wildfires, please go to www.preventwildfireca.org.

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