

John Day Interagency Dispatch News Release



Malheur National Forest



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Wildfire Update – July 12

John Day, OR – The Grindstone Fire in the Strawberry Mountain Wilderness is reported to be approximately 25 acres and is 100% lined. A Type 3 organization is managing the fire. Resources assigned to the fire include:

- Nine smokejumpers
- One hotshot crews
- Three 20 person hand crews
- A Type I helicopter providing bucket support

An additional hotshot crew is en route and will shift change with the smokejumpers so that they can be released from the fire.

Crews will continue with mop-up efforts throughout the next few days.

Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) crews continue with suppression efforts on the Briley Mountain Fire located approximately 5 miles north of Monument. The fire has burned approximately 798 acres and is 90% contained. An ODF Type III organization is managing the fire and fire camp is stationed at the Monument school.

Estimated containment date is July 12.

To report a fire, call 541-575-1321.

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