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Tuesday, September 8, 2020

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Total Acres	Containment	Crews	Engines	Dozers	Helicopters	Water Tenders	Total Personnel
47,934	20%	11	29	7	5	26	787

The Red and Salmon Fires are burning on the Klamath, Six Rivers, and Shasta-Trinity National Forests within Humboldt, Siskiyou, and Trinity Counties. The Hoopa Valley Tribe is now part of the joint delegation of authority with the three National Forests. The South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team 14 is managing this incident. Team 14 will continue to work closely with the Yurok Tribe, the Karuk Tribe, and local community liaisons.

Current Situation: The inversion lifted slightly yesterday afternoon and the southeastern portion of the fire in One Mile Creek remained active. A persistent backing fire with spotting followed by short uphill runs on the south and west sides of the fire is expected to continue today. The western edge of the fire has exited the Wilderness creating an opportunity for suppression resources to utilize recently prepped and/or existing roads and trails to complete tactical firing operations. In order for this to occur, the incident has some critical resource needs, including 5 type 1 hand crews to effectively complete planned operations. The fire is actively backing into Tish Tang Creek, creating alignment for potential fire runs into Hoopa tribal lands. Firefighters continued to patrol the northeast portion of the fire along Nordheimer Creek and China Creek.

Fire crew efforts will be focused today clearing dozer lines created during the Corral Fire of 2013, near the fire perimeter in the southwest area of the fire. Tactical firing operations will continue along 10N02 Road, which serves as a primary line containing the fire east of the Hoopa Valley Reservation.

Weather: A dry cold front moved into the area from the north and east, bringing the potential to produce critical fire weather conditions with an east wind over the fire area. The expected winds did not materialize over the fire area last night; however, those winds are expected to increase throughout the day and remain a threat into Wednesday afternoon. A Red Flag Warning is effect from Monday night at 10 p.m. and has been extended until Wednesday at 12 noon.

Air Quality: Heavy smoke from the Red Salmon Complex will be transported off to the west and southwest of the fire today due to strong northeast winds over the region. Communities in the Klamath River drainage will likely see heavy smoke impacts today into tomorrow. Eureka and the coastal communities may see degrading air quality due to a strong offshore wind that may bring smoke to the surface in that area. Communities to the east of the fire are seeing heavy smoke this morning, but should see some air quality improvement throughout the day.

National Forest Closure Areas: The US Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region announced yesterday the closure of all developed campgrounds and day-use sites on National Forests in California. Additionally, the prohibition of the use of any ignition source on all National System Lands (campfires, gas stoves, etc.) throughout California. The Red Salmon Fire Forest Closure Area became effective on August 8, 2020 under Forest Supervisor's orders on the Klamath, Shasta-Trinity, and Six Rivers National Forests. As hunting seasons open, hunters are reminded the closure is in place for their safety as well as the safety of firefighters. Complete closure information is available on InciWeb for the Red Salmon Complex.

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