



Garner Complex Fire Update

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Yesterday afternoon and through the night fire crews scouted the 12 fires that make up the Garner complex. The crews are working to prioritize these fires. The plan is to fully contain the smaller fires, construct fireline around the larger ones, while continually looking for new unaccounted for fires.

The objectives today for the Grave Creek branch will be to keep the fires east of Grave Creek, north of Pease Springs and Buck Springs. For the Pleasant Creek fire, keep the fire west of Pleasant Creek and south of the 33-4-22 road. The objectives for the Spencer Creek branch are to keep fires east of 37-6-36 road, north of China Creek road, west of Water Gap road and south of 38-6-6 road.

John Pellissier, the day Operations Chief, said at the morning briefing to the fire crews "it is great to see you and we are still waiting for more help". More fire fighters and equipment have been ordered and will be arriving to aid in the suppression efforts. With six incident management teams deployed to the region, resources (fire crews, air support & equipment) are scarce.

Weather forecasters predict hot and dry weather again today with gusty winds tonight. These conditions, along with low relative humidity, can cause very active fire behavior.

The Incident Command Post and fire camp is set up at the BLM Sprague Seed Orchard located at 1980 Russell Rd in Merlin.

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Oregon Department of Forestry IMT 2
Chris Cline, Incident Commander

Size:	960 acres
Change in last 24 hrs.	+700 acres
Containment:	2%
Start Date/Time:	7/15/2018 9:00a.m.
Expected Containment Date:	7/31/18
Location:	Josephine County
Cause:	Lightning
Est. Cost:	\$750,000
Personnel:	542
Assigned Resources:	
Handcrews:	18
Engines:	9
Dozers:	7
Water Tenders	2
Assigned Aircraft:	8 helicopters
Critical Resources Needs:	Overhead for fireline managers & engines
Injuries:	0
Structures Threatened:	0
Structures Damaged:	0
Structures Destroyed:	0
Evacuations:	None
Road Closures:	Intersection of Murphy Cr. and Spencer Cr. Rd. The end of the County Maintenance at Upper Powell Cr. Rd. and Cedar Flat Rd.