

BPA Situation Report

State Level Status

- **Oregon**

- Wildfires and hazardous air conditions have affected COVID-19 testing in Oregon. Over the past several days, statewide testing numbers appear to have dipped. This is a lagging data point as tests are often reported several days after specimen collection. However, due to widespread hazardous conditions, people seeking testing may have declined. OHA will continue to monitor the situation.
- The Oregon State Public Health Laboratory (OSPHL) was closed Monday, Sept. 14, due to hazardous indoor air quality. No specimens were accepted or tested. OSPHL will reopen as soon as air safety standards can be met.

- **Washington**

- DOH noted that modelers have noted an overall flattening in the curve describing transmission of COVID-19 in Washington, with some hints of a trend towards decreasing transmission. Different counties had different patterns of transmission. In some counties transmission is sharply decreasing, and in others it is increasing. In some counties (like King County) transmission was stable or flat.

- **Idaho**

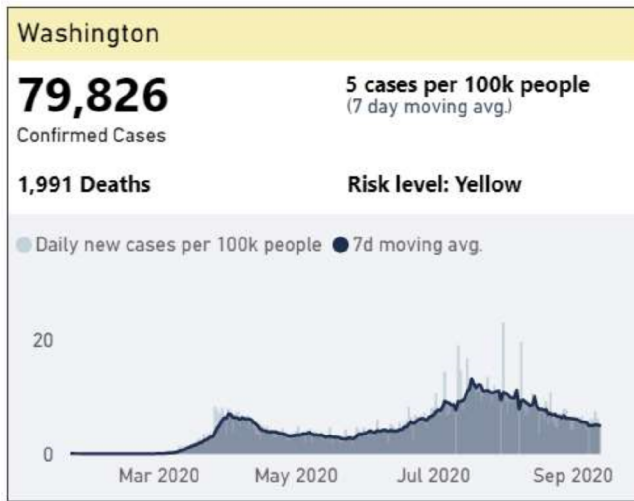
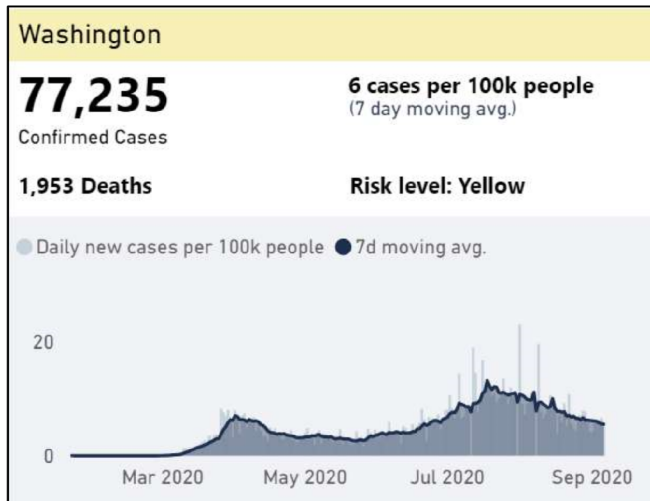
- Over the past week, Idaho has averaged 234 new confirmed cases per day, continuing to show a downward trend from recent weeks. Ada County is now below 50 daily cases.
- The Idaho Falls School District will stick with in-person teaching and learning after at least 11 students and six staffers tested positive for COVID-19. The virus has affected both staff and students.

- **Montana**

- After increasing week-over-week in recent reports, the rate of Daily New Cases is holding steady.

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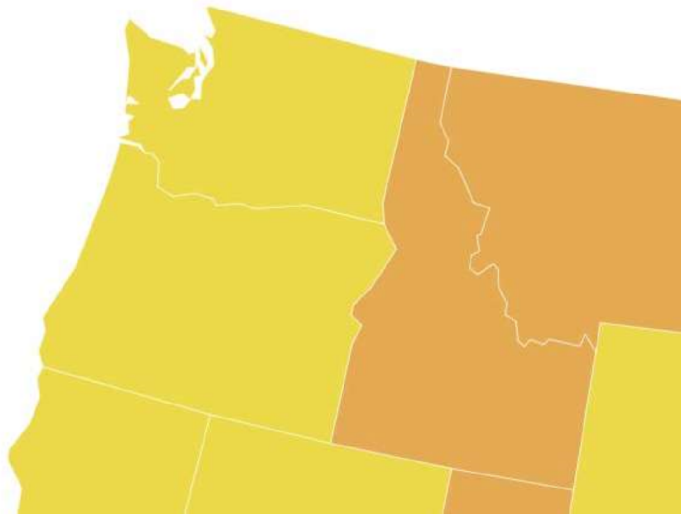
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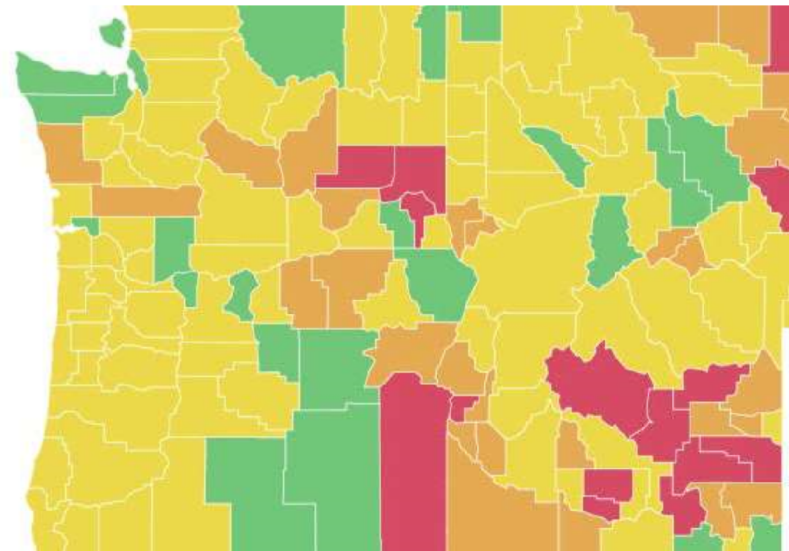
COVID-19 State and County Levels

Harvard Global Health Institute, as of 9/15

States



Counties



<u>Level</u>	<u>New Cases/100K/7d avg.</u>
Green	<1
Yellow	1-9
Orange	10-24
Red	25+

Yellow: Multnomah, King, Clark, Spokane, Benton, Flathead
Orange: Franklin
Red: Bonneville



Daily New Cases, County Level

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Daily New Cases Per 100k Population

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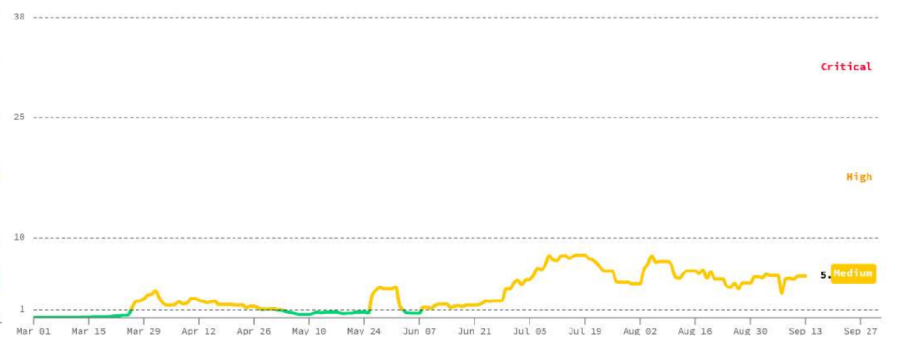
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CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Daily New Cases Per 100k Population

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KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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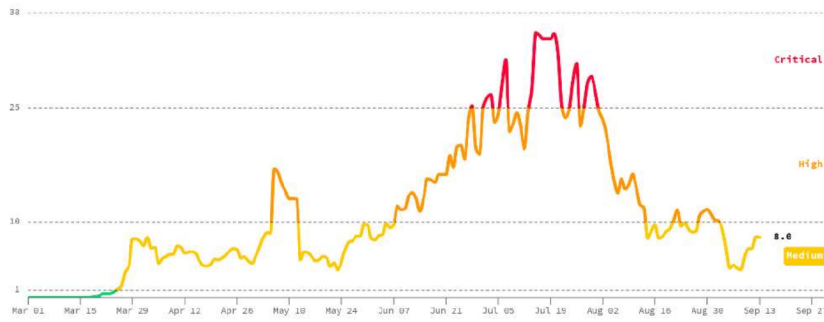
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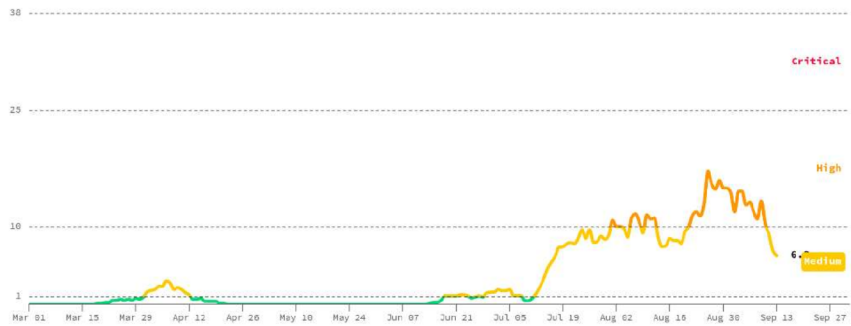
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FLATHEAD COUNTY, MONTANA
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COVID IMT

Objectives for Operational Period September 15th- 29th

Management Objectives

1. Continue to maintain and evolve situational awareness, manage the incident, monitor trigger points, and run critical operations with the safety and health of the employees as the top priority.
 - a. Monitor and track relative infection rates (% and total) in the four states and where appropriate at the county level.
 - b. In conjunction with the Transition Team determine IMTs role in implementing the Telework and Equipment policy.
2. Provide consistent, relevant, and timely internal and external communications.

Operational Objectives

3. Research the feasibility to implement a digital health-check for the three locations (HQ, Dittmer, Spokane) with the option of expanding to additional locations in the future and provide a recommendation to the IC on 9/18/20.

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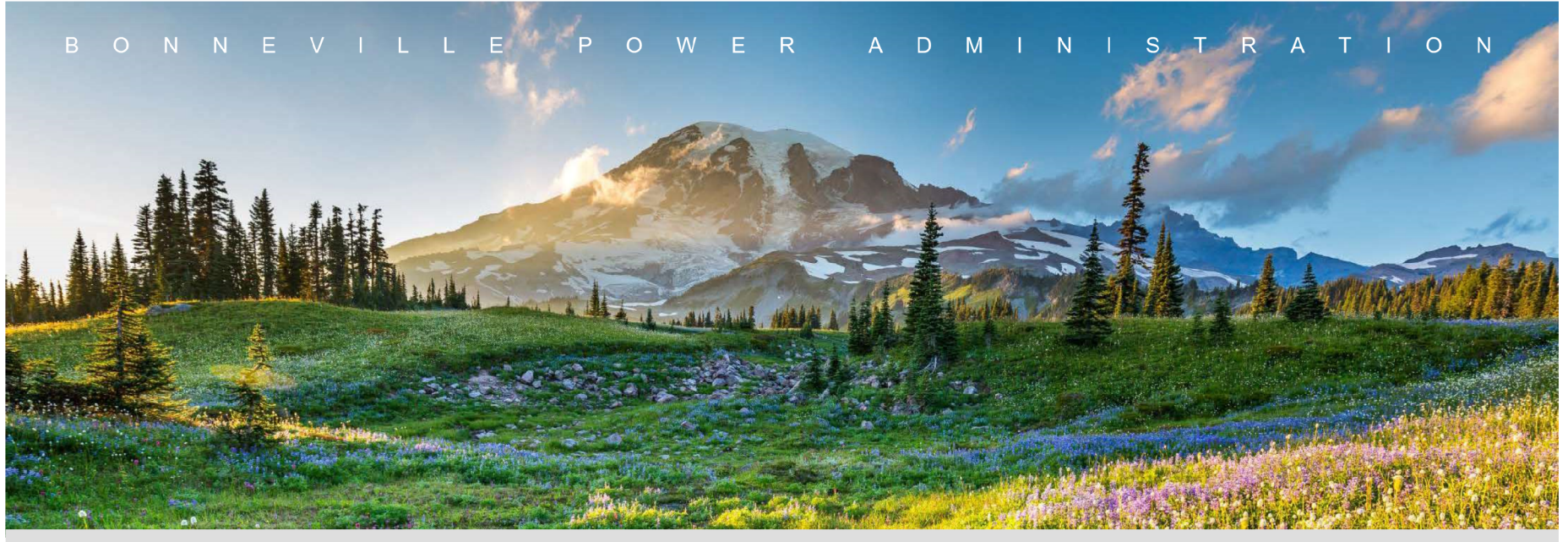
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BPA Executive Brief

September 16, 2020

Fire IMT Meeting 1:00 PM



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Safety Update

- TF organization took a mandatory safety pause at 0800 this morning to reset, recalibrate, reflect and restart with our number one priority Safety. This pause will allow us all to refocus on our responsibility to ourselves and those around us regarding all things safety weather you're at work or at home.
- Ken Brown and Boots Zeller will be doing some testing at the incident site where the TLM apprentice was shocked today around 1400.
- Safety is working with Occupational Health & Safety to ensure proper mask filtration.

PPE Updates:

- 1,900 N95 masks & 1,900 bottles of eye wash solution arriving today. The balance of eyewash due tomorrow.
- 1,000 additional N95 masks will arrive Monday

Injury updates:

- The South has nothing to report
- The North has nothing to report



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Safety Update

Safety Concerns and Near Hits

- District or Primary Location: Ross
- Incident Date: 09/14/2020
- Reported Date: 09/16/2020
- What Happened: Pulled over and noticed the trailer ball was not tightened down.








N95 use in an Energized Substation and the ROW

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Weather Update

- Air quality:
 - Improved *slightly* in the past 24 hours, but remains poor.
 - *Very slow* improvement continuing through Thursday.
 - Significant improvement Friday.
- Light rain fell along the immediate OR/WA coasts in the past 36 hours.
- Little weather change through Thursday:
 - Moderate-high humidity and little wind.
 - Spotty light rain restricted to the immediate coast
 - SE Oregon and southern ID humidity is lower than elsewhere in the region
- First fall storm system arriving Thursday night/Friday:
 - Widespread wetting rain expected
 - Some lightning possible Thursday night along and west of the Cascades, and east of the Cascades on Friday. Any lightning will be accompanied by wetting rains, and should not pose a new wildfire threat. However, any strikes will pose a safety threat to those in the field.
 - Winds will increase, but will not be strong.
- **Fire Weather Watch for SE Oregon and southern ID Thursday for gusty winds and low humidity** ahead of the incoming storm. Relative humidity in this area will increase by Friday.
- There will be a protracted threat of flash floods and landslides in highly burned areas any time it rains this fall.




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SPOKANE

Wed 9/16	Thu 9/17	Fri 9/18	Sat 9/19	Sun 9/20	Mon 9/21	Tue 9/22
 Smoke	 Smoke	 Chance Thunderstorms	 Rain	 Mostly Sunny	 Sunny	 Sunny
56 / 76	53 / 76	55 / 78	52 / 70	48 / 71	47 / 74	49 / 73

TRI-CITIES

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 Smoke	 Smoke	 50% Chance Of Rain	 50% Chance Of Rain	 Mostly Sunny	 Sunny	 Sunny
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PORTLAND

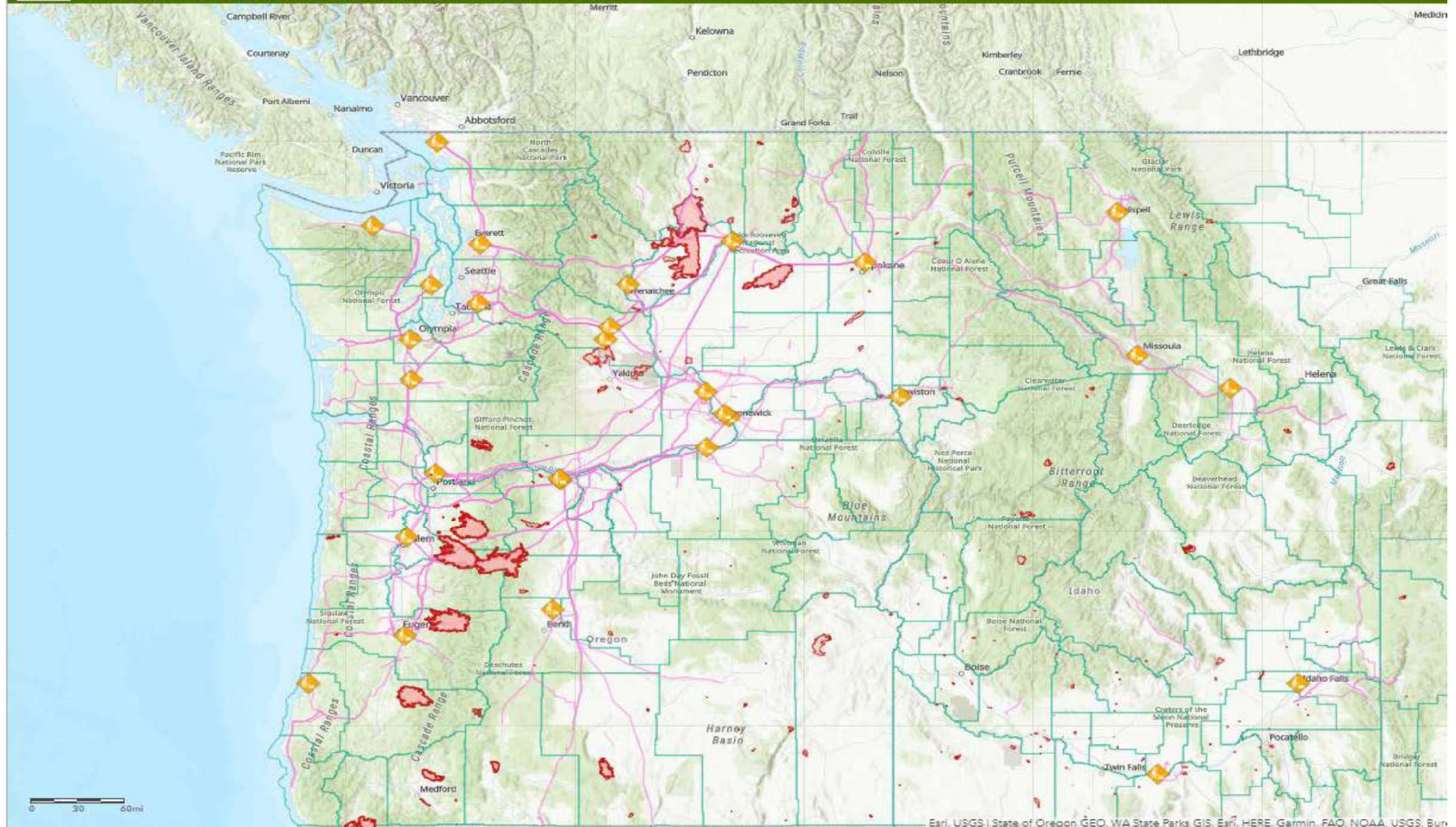
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Bonneville Power Administration

Fire Activity Common Operating Picture (COP)



Esri, USGS | State of Oregon GEO, WA State Parks GIS, Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS, BPA

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Idaho

Watching: Bernard Fire

- Acres Burned: 876+
(as of 9/15)
- Counties Impacted:
 - Kootenai
 - Bonner
- Line: Lancaster-
Noxon No 1 (230 kV)



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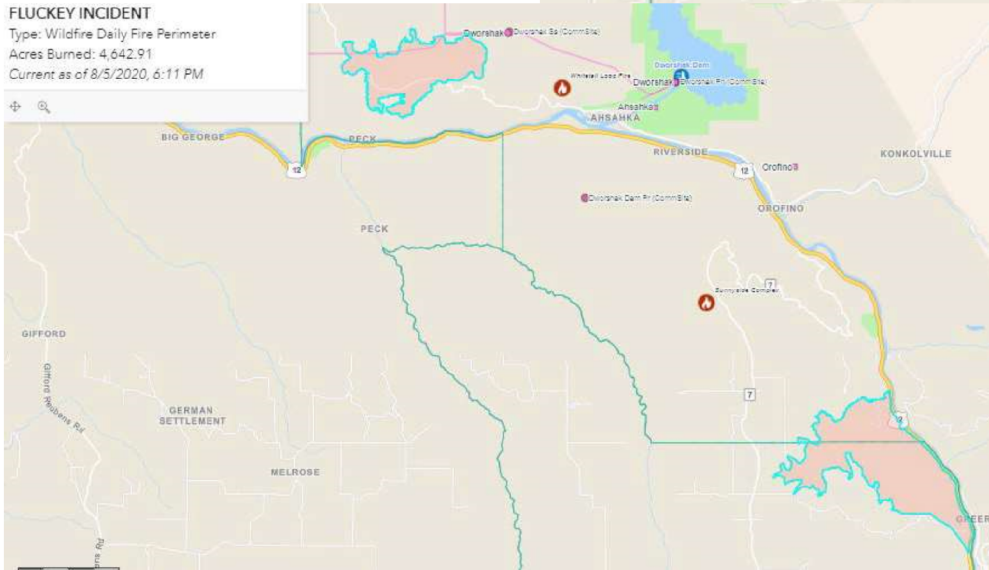
Clover Fire

- Acres Burned: 1,600+ (as of: 9/9)
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clearwater
- Substations:
 - Dworshak DWOK



FLUCKEY INCIDENT

Type: Wildfire Daily Fire Perimeter
 Acres Burned: 4,642.91
 Current as of 8/5/2020, 6:11 PM



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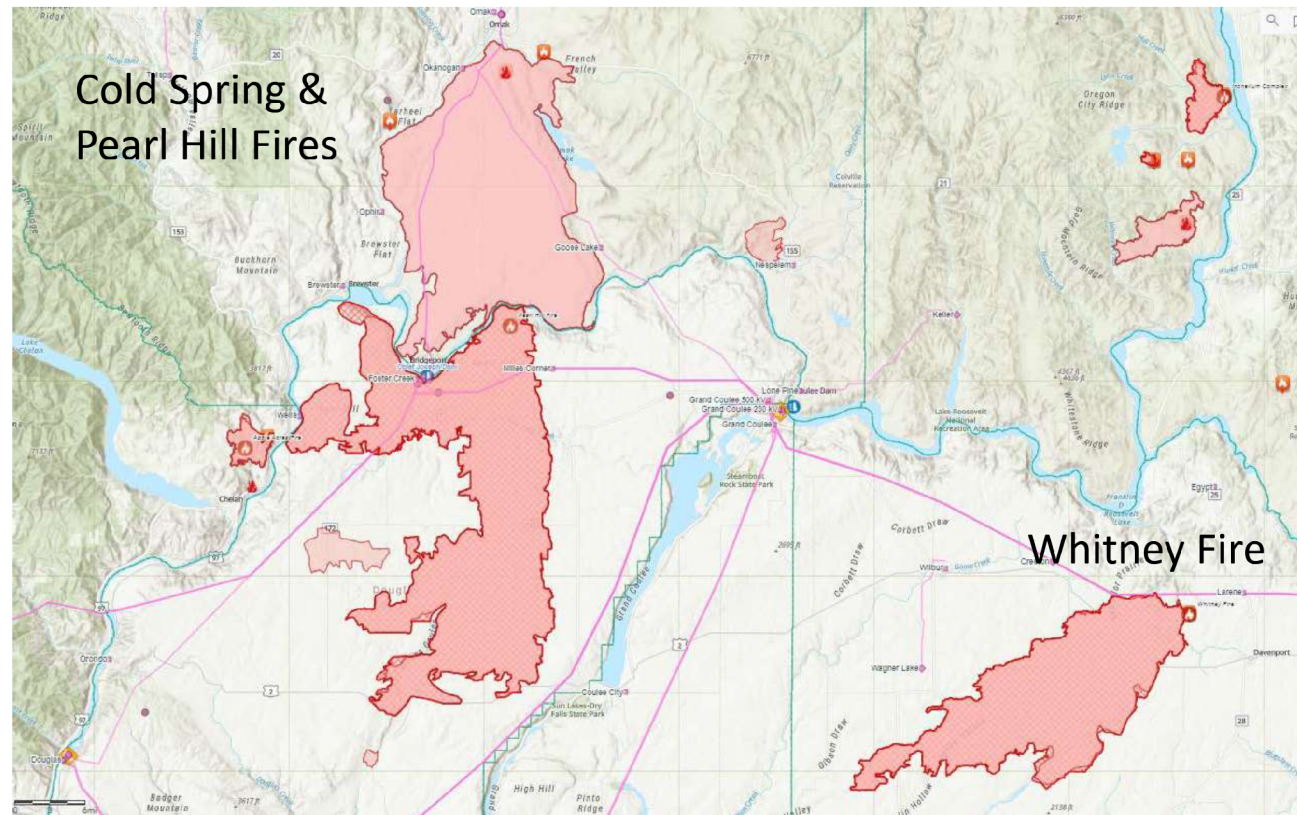
BPA Washington Fires

Cold Spring & Pearl Hill Fires

- Acres Burned: 411,407+ (as of 9/12)
- Counties impacted:
 - Douglas
 - Chelan
 - Okanogan
- Substations
 - Chief Joseph CHJO
 - Okanogan OKAN
 - Nilles Corner NICO
 - East Omak EOMK
 - Brewster BREW
 - Goose Lake GOLK
 - Nespelem NESP

Whitney Fire

- Acres Burned: 127,410+ (as of: 9/14)
- Counties impacted:
 - Lincoln
- Substations
 - Wagner Lake WAGL
 - Creston CRES
 - Larene LREN

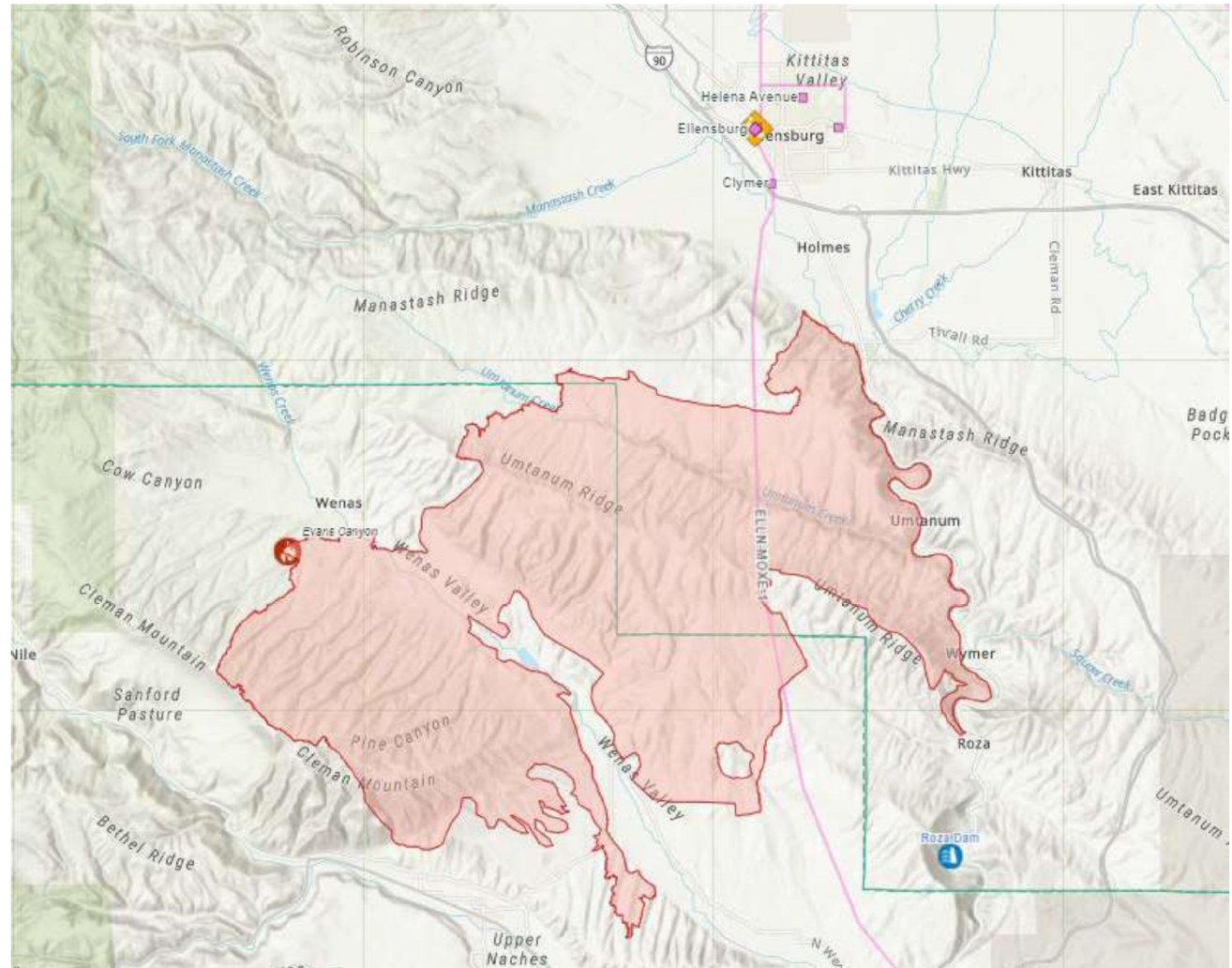


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BPA Washington Fires

Watching: Evans Canyon Fire

- Acres Burned: 75,692+
(as of: 9/8)
- Counties impacted:
 - Kittitas
 - Yakima
- Substations
 - Clymer CLYM
 - Ellensburg ELDO
 - Dolarway DOLR



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BPA Oregon Fires

Riverside Fire

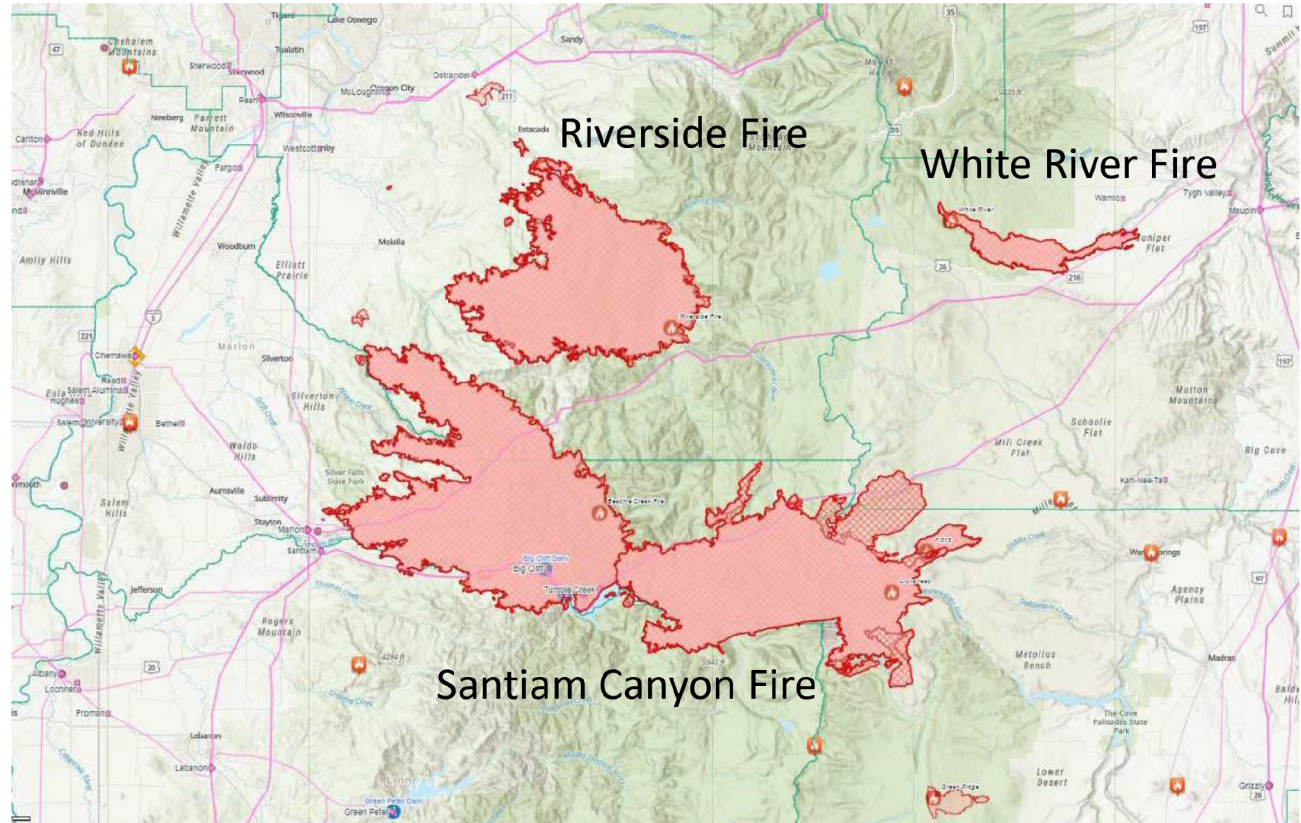
- Acres Burned:
135,619+ (as of: 9/15)
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clackamas

White River Fire

- Acres Burned: 17,412+
(as of: 9/7)
- Counties Impacted:
 - Wasco

Santiam Canyon Fire

- Acres Burned: 380,586+ (as of: 9/16)
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clackamas
 - Marion
 - Linn
- Substations
 - Marion
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 - Detroit DETR
 - Tumble Creek TUMB

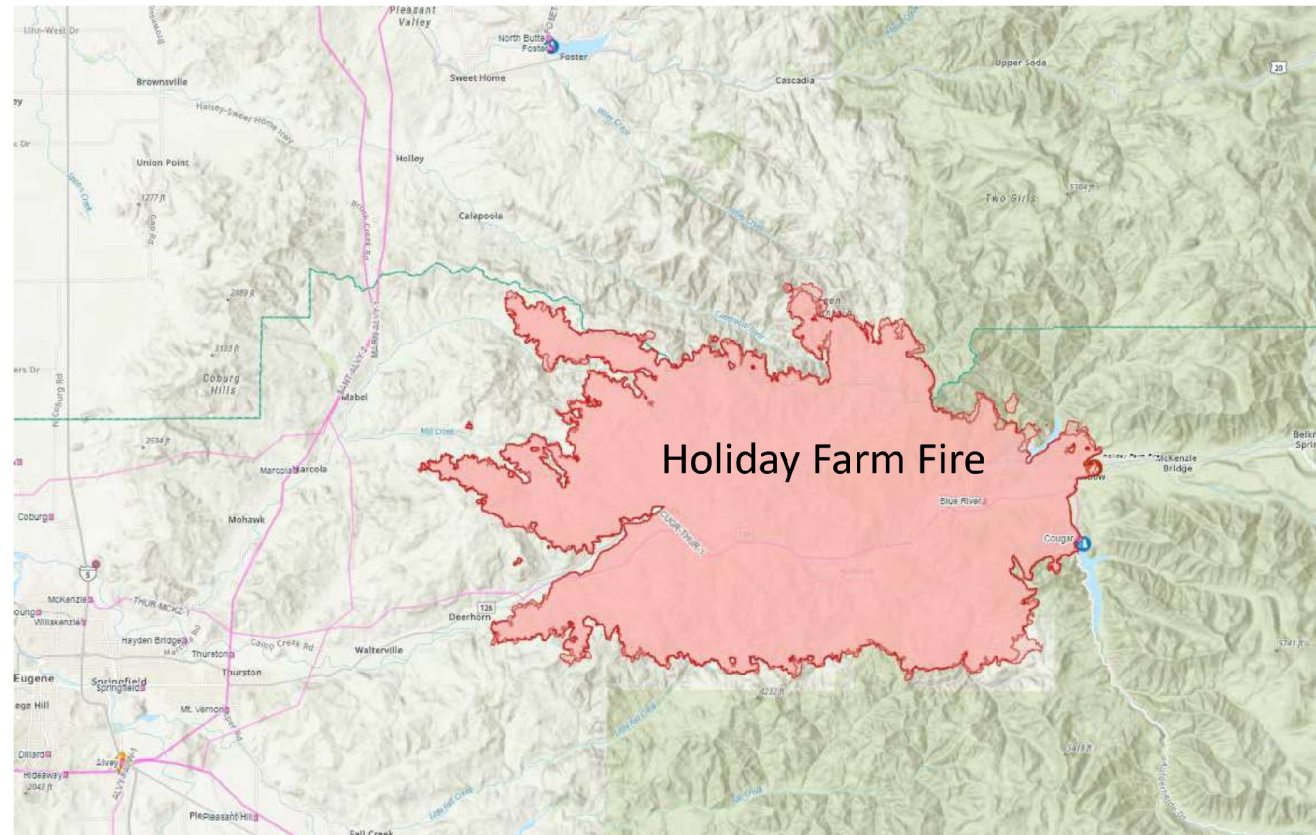


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Holiday Farm Fire

- Acres Burned:
170,716+ (as of: 9/16)
- Counties Impacted:
Lane
- Linn
- Substations
 - Cougar CUGR
 - Blue River BLRI
 - Marcola MRCL
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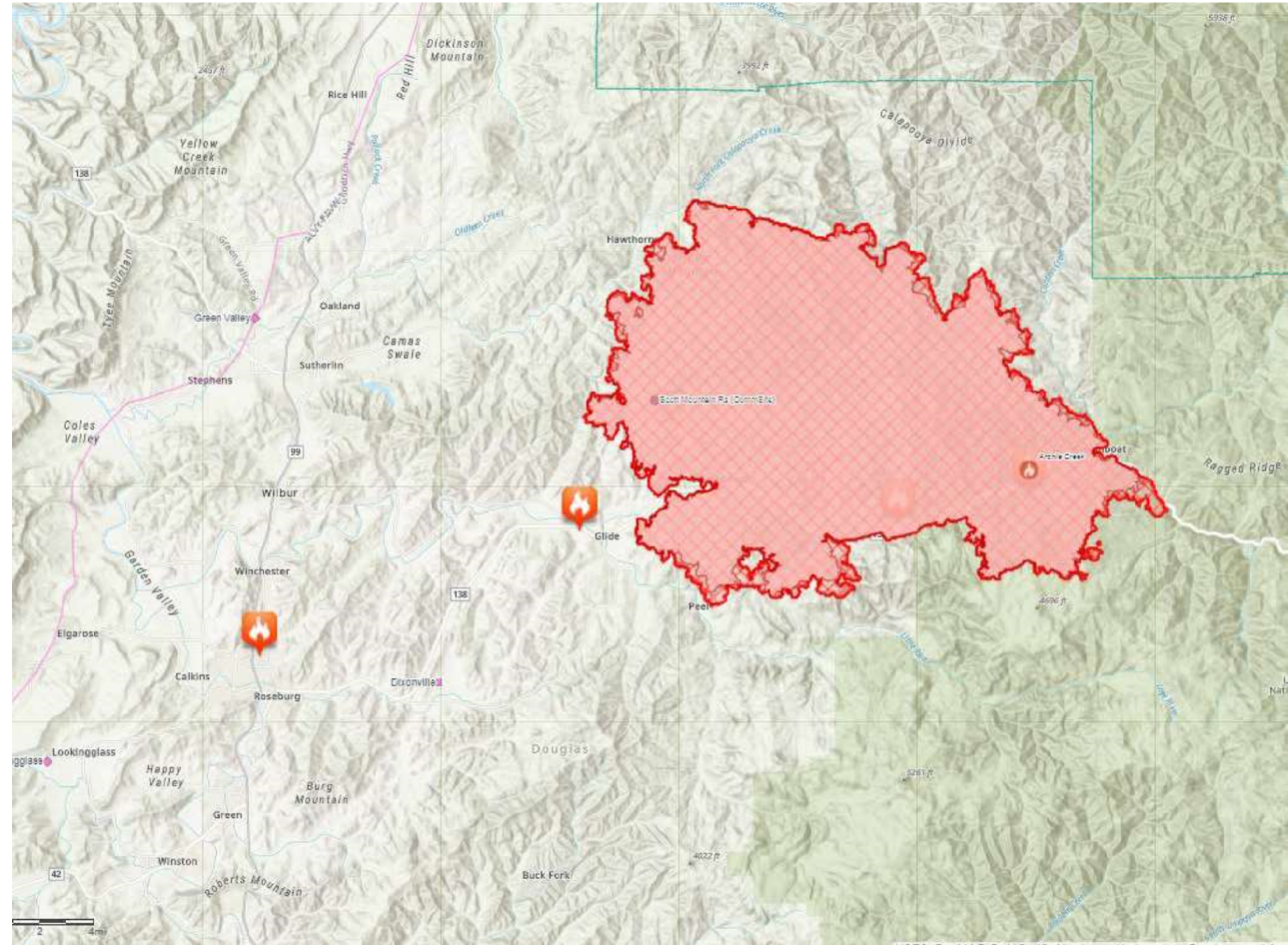


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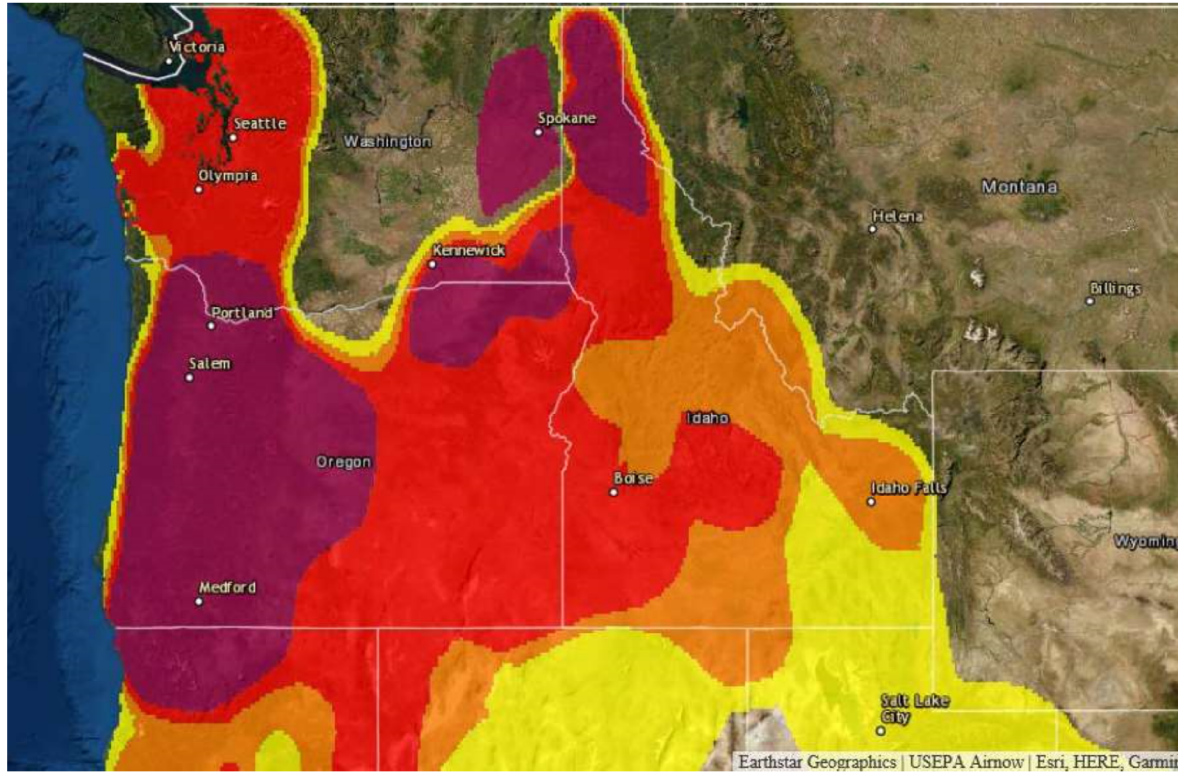
Watching: Archie Creek Fire

- Acres Burned: 126,108+ (as of: 9/15)
- Counties Impacted: Douglas
- Substations
 - Green Valley GRNV



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Service Territory Air Quality Report



www.airnow.gov

As of 9/16/20 @ 08:34



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Oregon Evacuation Zones

Northern Oregon



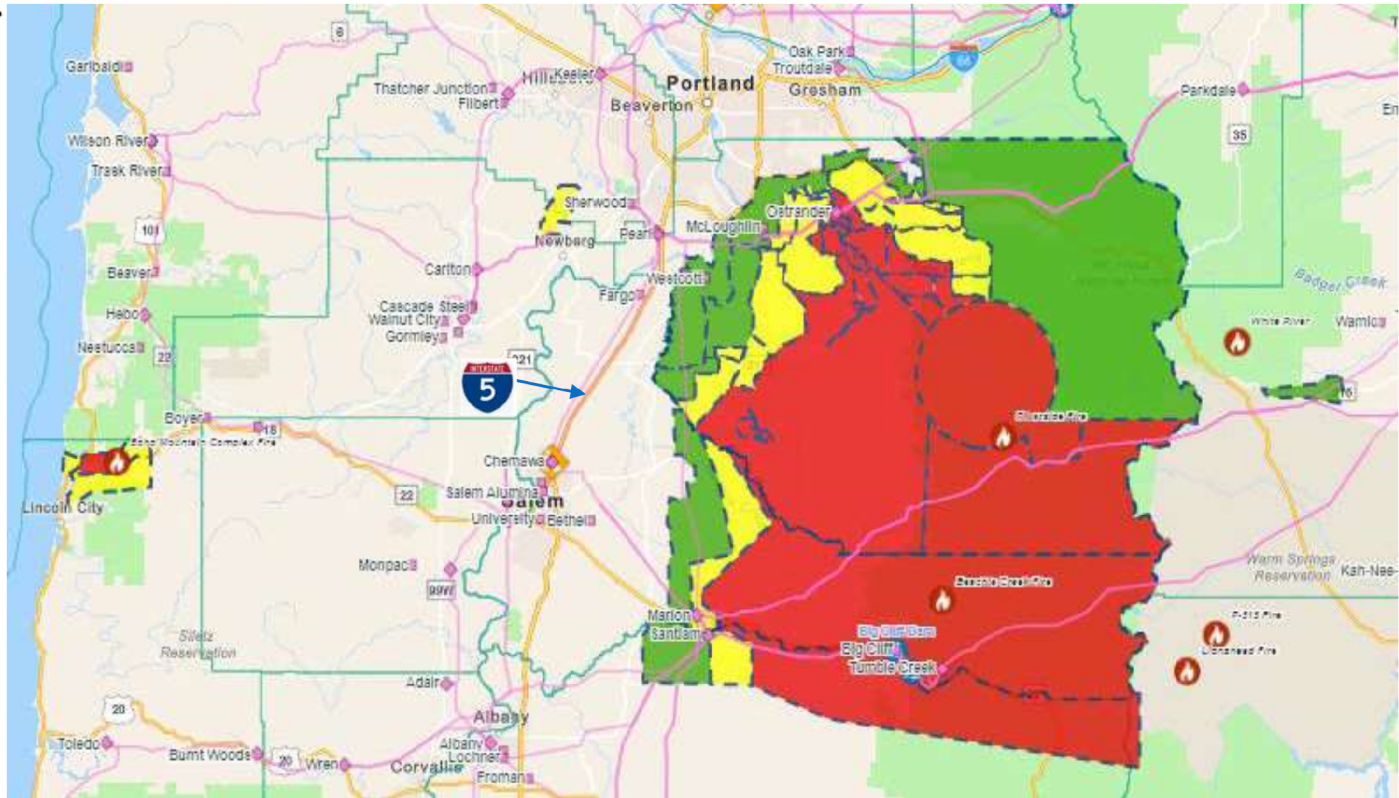
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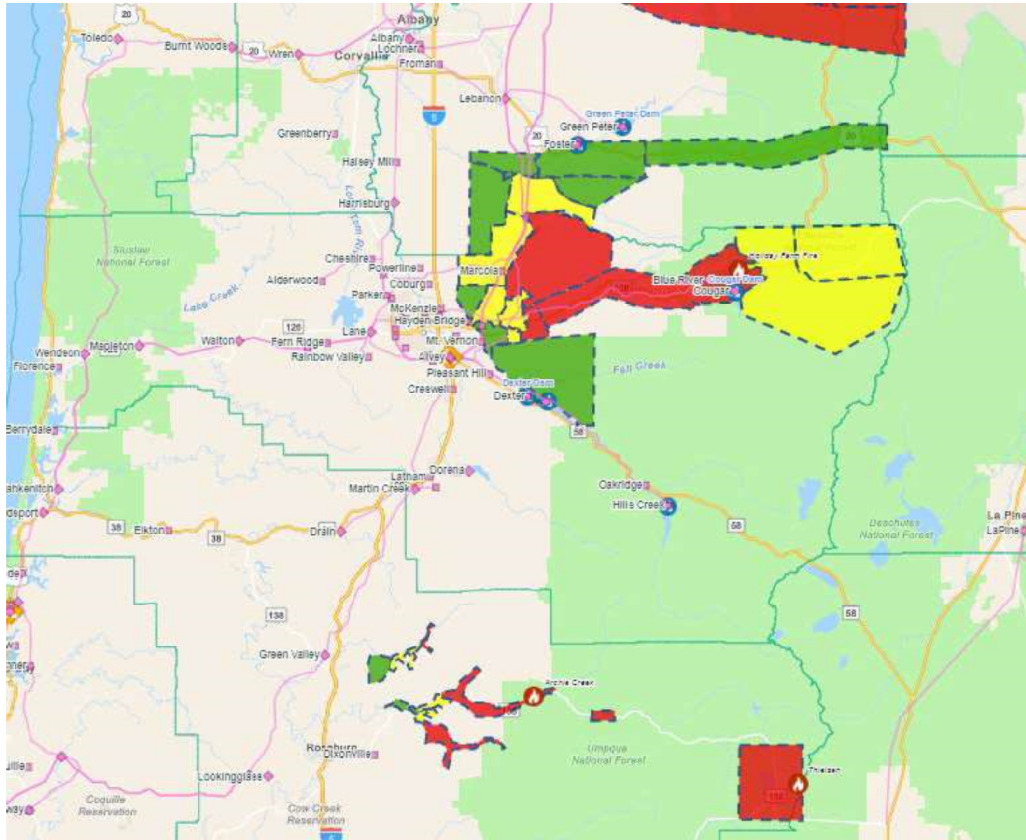
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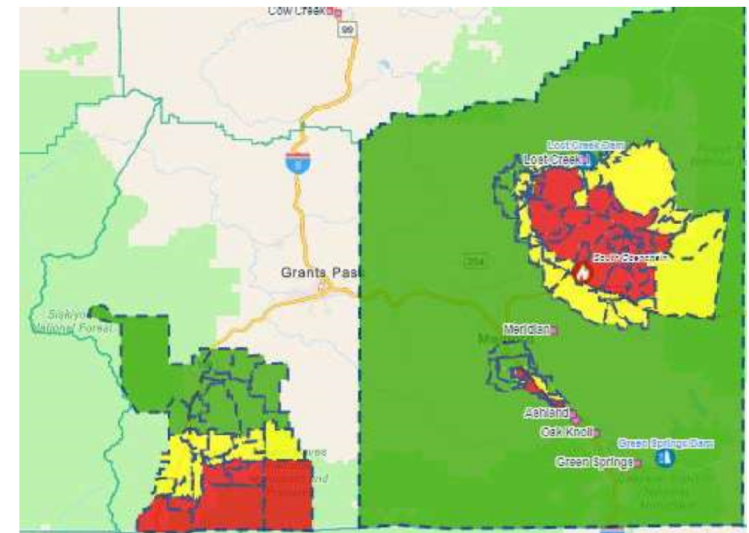
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Media Analysis

- **MEDIA INQUIRIES AND RESPONSES**

Collecting information for a KATU news brief.

- **WASHINGTON FIRES**

No new news stories.

- **OREGIN FIRES**

- **Santiam Canyon Fire**

- Salem Statesman Journal

“Why didn’t all utilities shut off power in Santiam Canyon before winds knocked lines down?”

<https://www.statesmanjournal.com/story/news/politics/2020/09/16/oregon-wildfires-santiam-canyon-utilities-turn-off-power-winds-beachie-creek-fire/5762689002/>

Lengthy article asking why BPA, Consumers Power Inc and PacifiCorp did not shut lines off when high winds increased fire threat.

Bonneville Power spokesman Doug Johnson said the utility doesn't "have any evidence that any of our equipment was involved in the ignition of any of the fires currently burning in the Northwest."

- **Holiday Farm Fire**

KEZI TV – Eugene, Ore

<https://www.kezi.com/content/news/WATCH-Dashcam-video-from-first-night-of-Holiday-Farm-Fire-572419861.html>

No mention of BPA or power lines. All utility lines shown in the video are still standing. Good images.

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Media Analysis

GENERAL WILDFIRE STORIES OF INTEREST

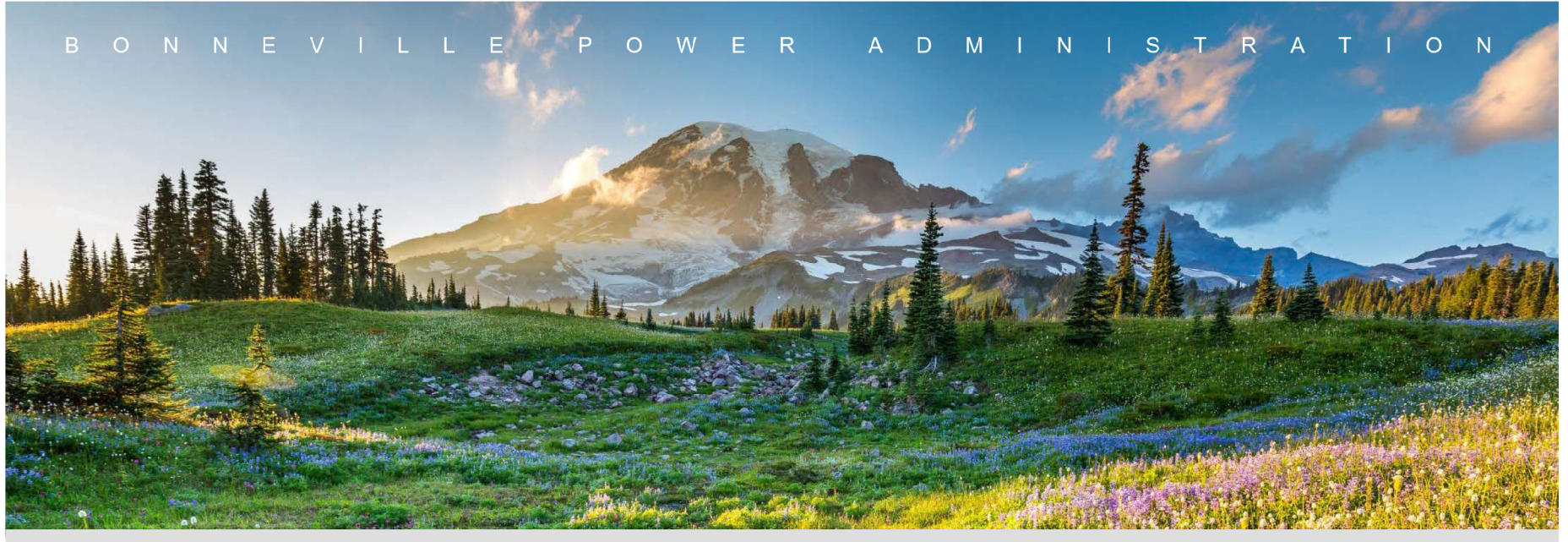
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<https://www.cnn.com/2020/09/16/weather/us-wildfires-smoke-europe-copernicus-intl/index.html>
 - No mention utilities or wildfire causes.
- **NY Times**
<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/14/us/wildfires-live-updates.html>
 - No mention of utilities or wildfire causes. Good summary of national debate Climate Change Forest Management and other issue.
- **PIO Activities of Interest**
 - Hazardous Air Alert BPA facilities alert
 - Photos/video – BPA use – please remind your employees it would be helpful if they would not share on personal social media outlets
 - Safety Article – expanded information on the effects of smoke/hazardous air

If you have questions or would like more information about these news clips or our media monitoring efforts, please email pio@bpa.gov or contact me directly by responding to this email or call me at 503-713-7658.

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Additional Report Outs

- Liaison Officer (Inter. Gov. Affairs) – Dan James
- Liaison Officer - Marybeth O’Leary
- Customer Liaison – Tina Ko



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Safety Update



- Due to the Lightning in the area we sent out BPA WS 11-12 Working Near Lightning and APM Rule L-4 Lightning, Work and Curtailment Criteria.
- Safety sent out some guidance on Landslides & Debris Flows that may occur do to the rain.
- J-1 discussion topic. Battling Fatigue on the Job Site
- Occupational Health & Safety has identified a better PAPR filter and we are currently looking for a source to procure them from.

PPE Updates:

- To date 2400 N95's have been distributed to field crews. Additionally, 700 eye wash bottles have gone out. 1365 N95 on hand, we have an additional 1920 due in 9/21. We have 611 eye wash bottles remaining.

Injury updates:

- The South has nothing to report
- The North has nothing to report

Near Hits Safety Concern:








- Nothing to report

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Weather Update

- First fall storm system has arrived.
 - **Risk of landslides and flash flooding is high near burn areas. Flash Flood Watch for the Oregon Cascades and foothills.**
 - Widespread rain west of Cascades, some of it heavy, will spread east this afternoon and tonight.
 - Hundreds of lightning strikes west of Cascades overnight, along with a few hail and minor flooding reports.
 - More lightning today on both sides of the Cascades, but it will be more isolated.
 - **Red Flag Warning for southern ID today for gusty winds.** Humidity is increasing more slowly in this area. Showers are likely in southern Idaho tonight.
- Smoke has cleared from most of the Willamette Valley. Significant air quality improvement on track for the rest of the region today. However, more normal westerly winds will blow any lingering smoke plumes toward eastern Oregon and Washington next week.
- Another wet storm system next Thursday-Saturday. Fall rainy season is beginning earlier-than-usual.








TRI-CITIES

Fri 9/18	Sat 9/19	Sun 9/20	Mon 9/21	Tue 9/22	Wed 9/23	Thu 9/24
 30% Chance Of Rain	 30% Chance Of Rain	 Mostly Sunny	 Sunny	 Sunny	 Partly Cloudy	 Rain
51 / 80	53 / 76	50 / 75	49 / 76	51 / 77	50 / 81	55 / 78

SPOKANE

Fri 9/18	Sat 9/19	Sun 9/20	Mon 9/21	Tue 9/22	Wed 9/23	Thu 9/24
 50% Chance Of Rain	 30% Chance Of Rain	 Mostly Sunny	 Sunny	 Sunny	 Partly Cloudy	 Rain
51 / 79	52 / 70	47 / 70	47 / 74	50 / 72	49 / 77	51 / 75

SEATTLE

Fri 9/18	Sat 9/19	Sun 9/20	Mon 9/21	Tue 9/22	Wed 9/23	Thu 9/24
 Rain	 Rain	 Partly Cloudy	 Mostly Sunny	 Partly Cloudy	 Rain	 Rain
60 / 66	57 / 68	57 / 69	55 / 69	55 / 70	56 / 72	58 / 68

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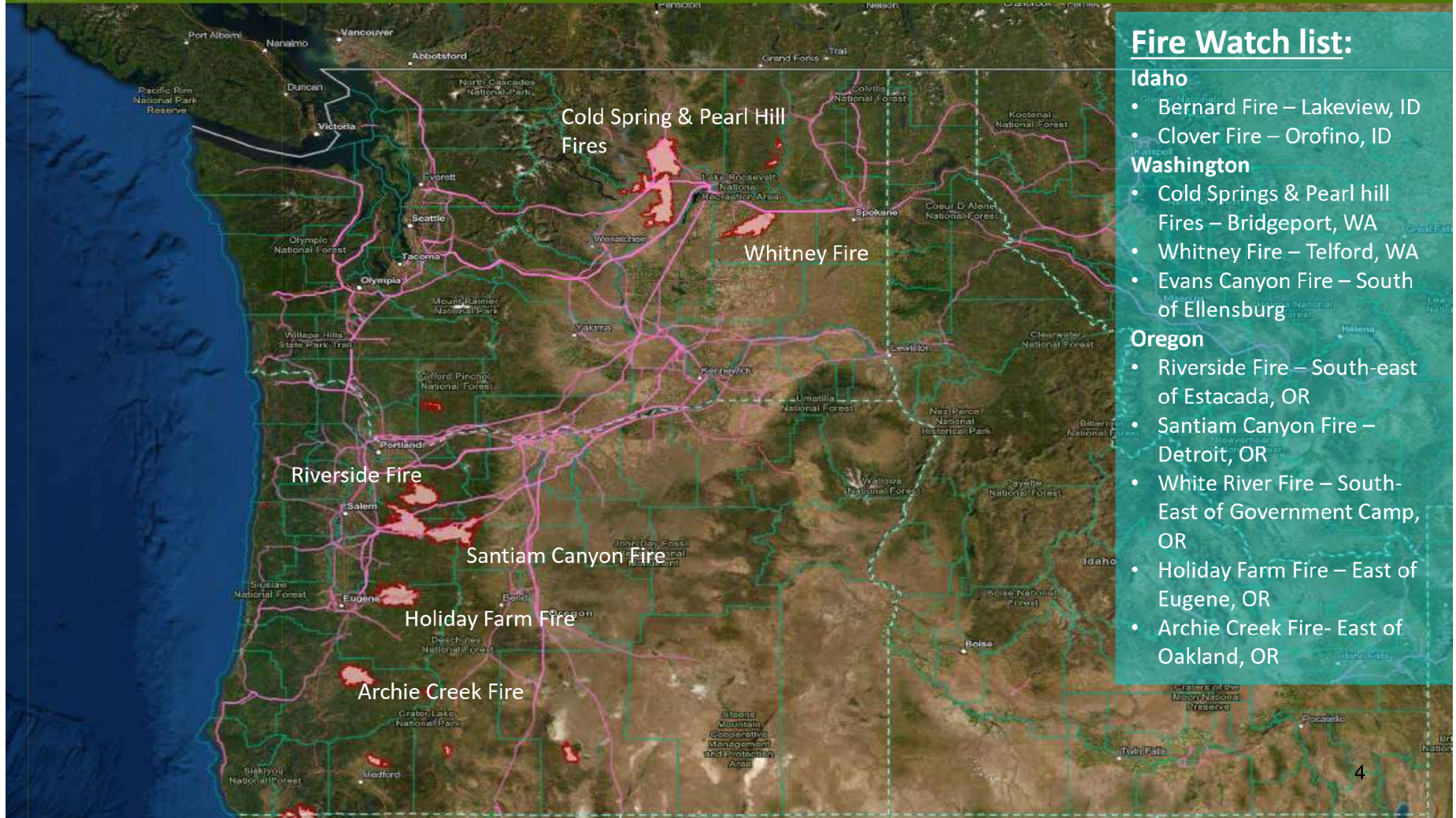
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Bonneville Power Administration

Fire Activity Common Operating Picture (COP)



Fire Watch list:

Idaho

- Bernard Fire – Lakeview, ID
- Clover Fire – Orofino, ID

Washington

- Cold Springs & Pearl hill Fires – Bridgeport, WA
- Whitney Fire – Telford, WA
- Evans Canyon Fire – South of Ellensburg

Oregon

- Riverside Fire – South-east of Estacada, OR
- Santiam Canyon Fire – Detroit, OR
- White River Fire – South-East of Government Camp, OR
- Holiday Farm Fire – East of Eugene, OR
- Archie Creek Fire- East of Oakland, OR

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Idaho

Watching: Bernard Fire

- Acres Burned: 1,019+
(as of 9/17; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
 - Kootenai
 - Bonner
- Line nearby:
Lancaster-Noxon No 1 (230 kV)

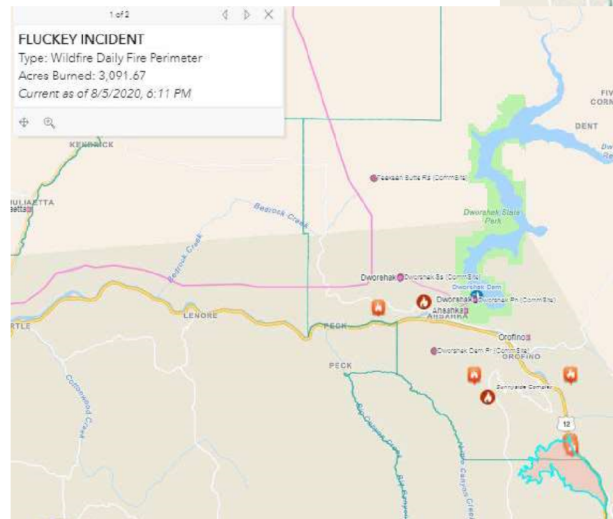


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Idaho

Clover Fire

- Acres Burned: 1,500+
(as of: 9/17; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clearwater
- Substations nearby:
 - Dworshak DWOK



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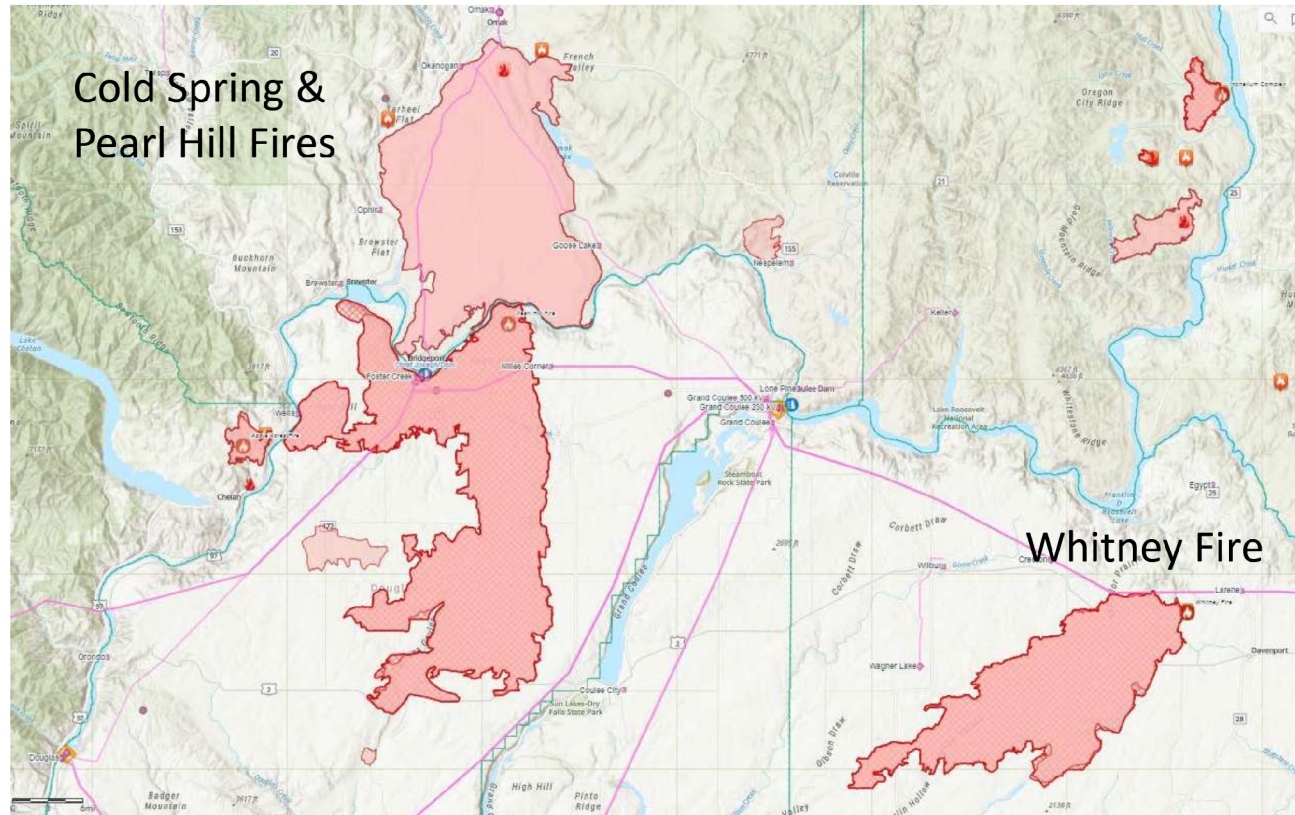
BPA Washington Fires

Cold Spring & Pearl Hill Fires

- Acres Burned: 423,860+ (as of 9/16; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties impacted:
 - Douglas
 - Chelan
 - Okanogan
- Substations nearby:
 - Chief Joseph CHJO
 - Okanogan OKAN
 - Nilles Corner NICO
 - East Omak EOMK
 - Brewster BREW
 - Goose Lake GOLK
 - Nespelem NESP

Whitney Fire

- Acres Burned: 127,430+ (as of 9/16; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties impacted:
 - Lincoln
- Substations nearby:
 - Wagner Lake WAGL
 - Creston CRES
 - Larene LREN

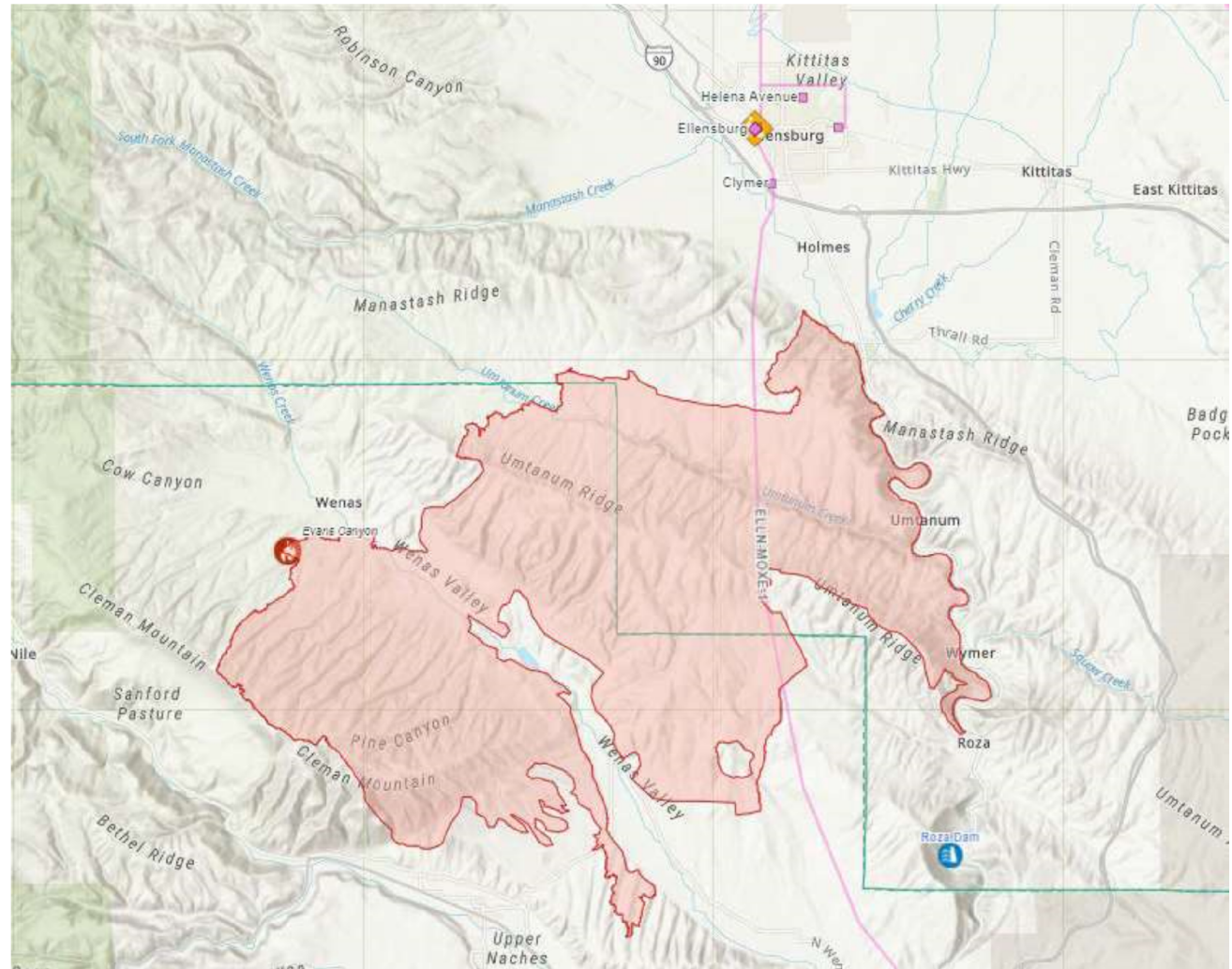


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BPA Washington Fires

Watching: Evans Canyon Fire

- Acres Burned: 75,817+ (as of: 9/14; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties impacted:
 - Kittitas
 - Yakima
- Substations nearby:
 - Clymer CLYM
 - Ellensburg ELDO
 - Dolarway DOLR



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BPA Oregon Fires

Riverside Fire

- Acres Burned:
137,828+ (as of: 9/17;
Source: [Inciweb](#))

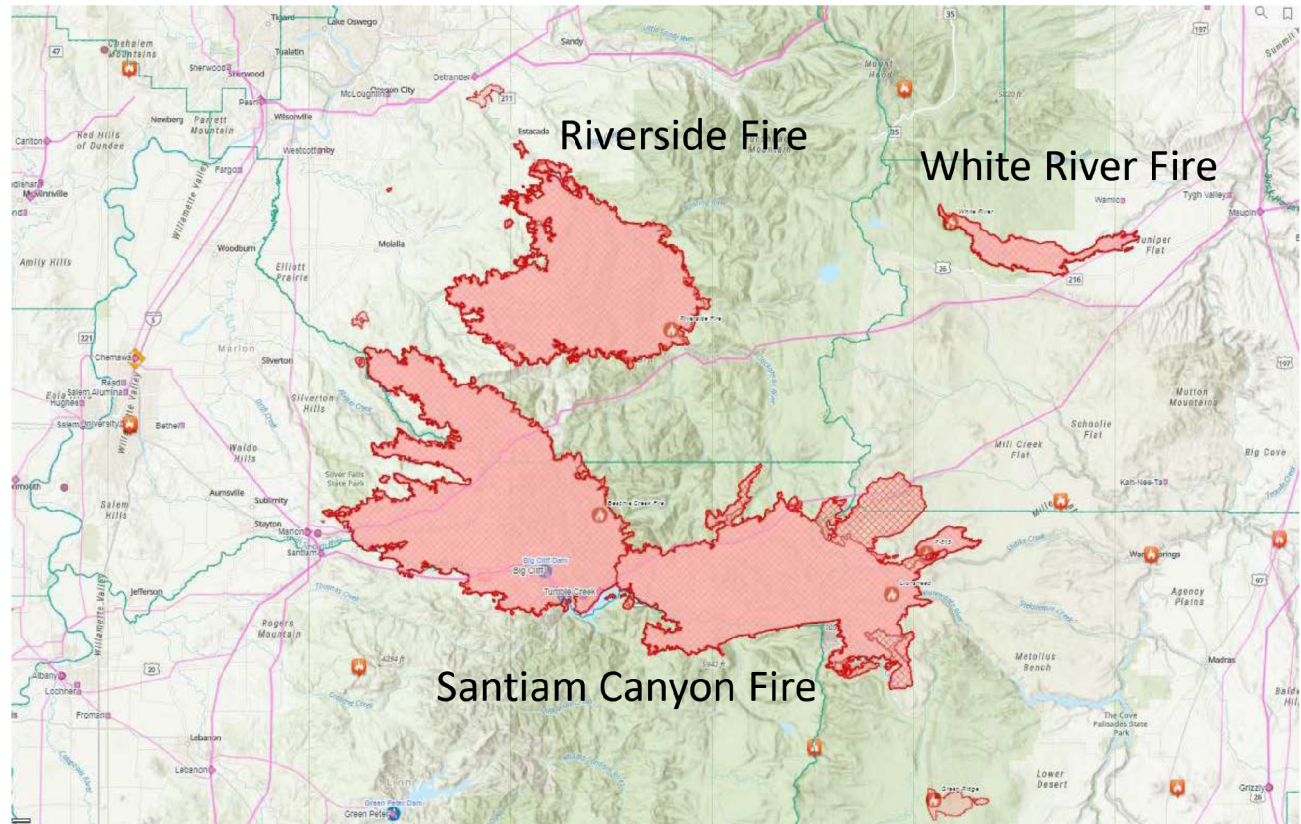
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clackamas

White River Fire

- Acres Burned: 17,383+
(as of: 9/17; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
 - Wasco

Santiam Canyon Fire

- Acres Burned: 380,976+ (as
of: 9/16; Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
 - Clackamas
 - Marion
 - Linn
- Substations nearby:
 - Marion
 - Santiam
 - Detroit DETR
 - Tumble Creek TUMB

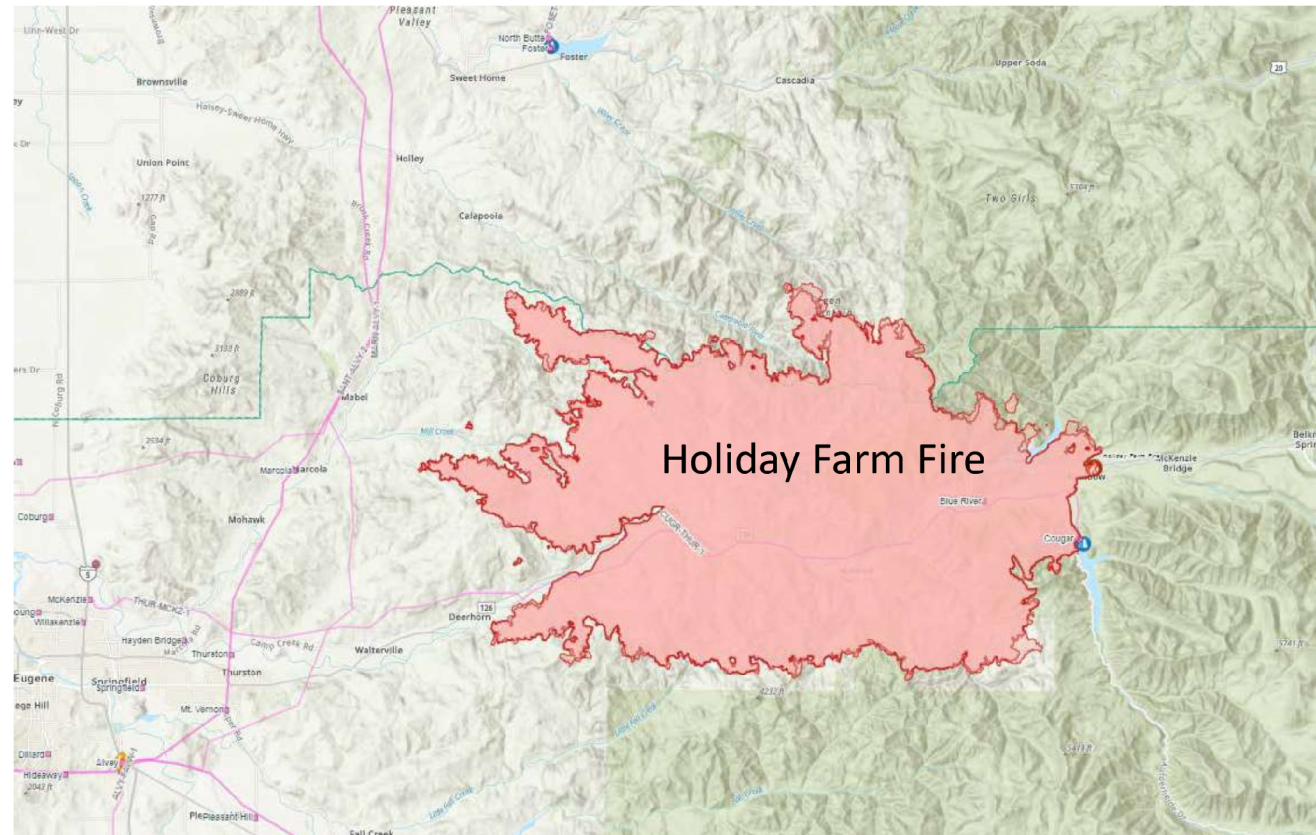


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BPA Oregon Fires

Holiday Farm Fire

- Acres Burned:
170,637+ (as of: 9/17;
Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
 - Lane
 - Linn
- Substations nearby:
 - Cougar CUGR
 - Blue River BLRI
 - Marcola MRCL
 - Thurston THUR

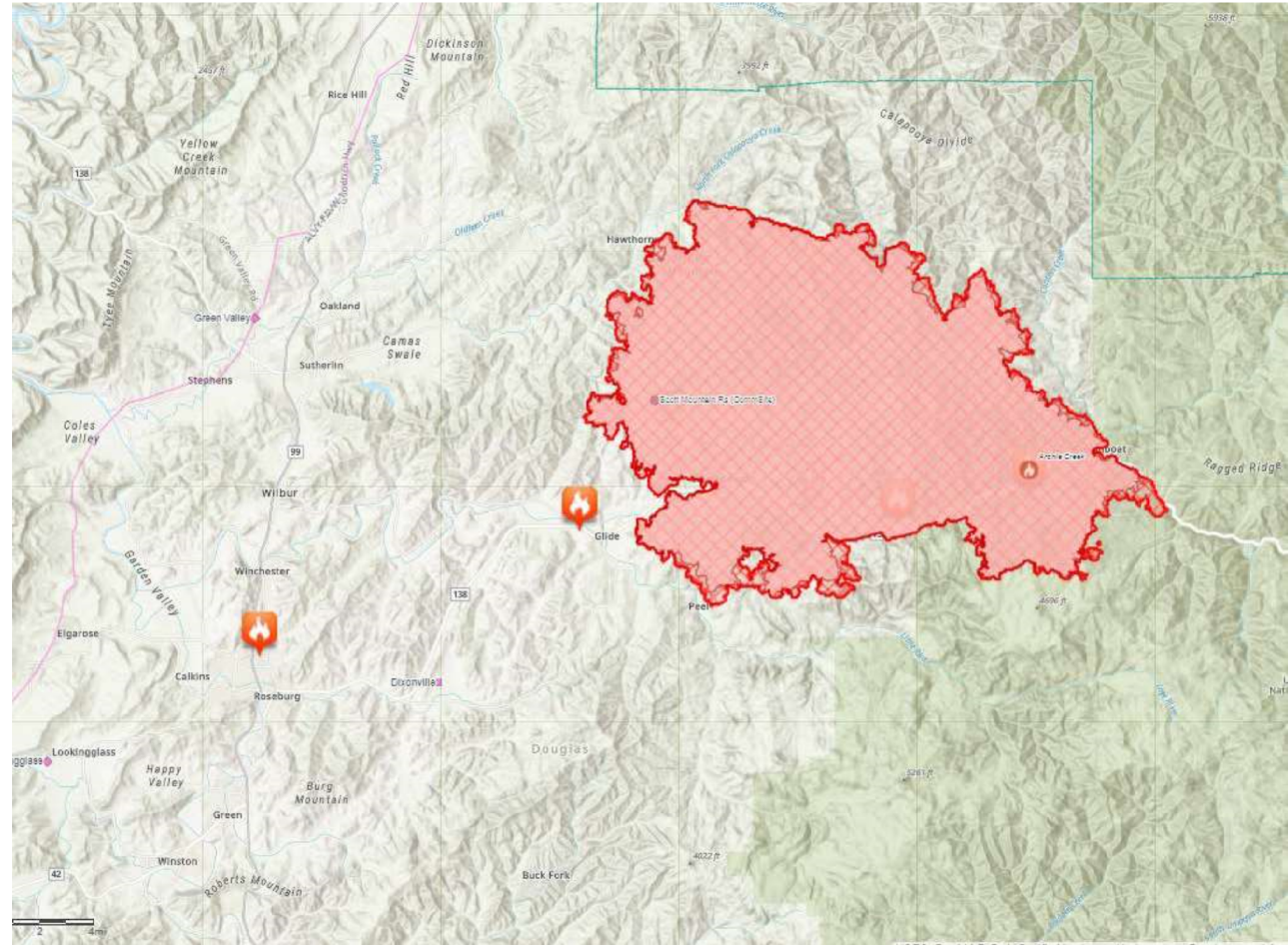


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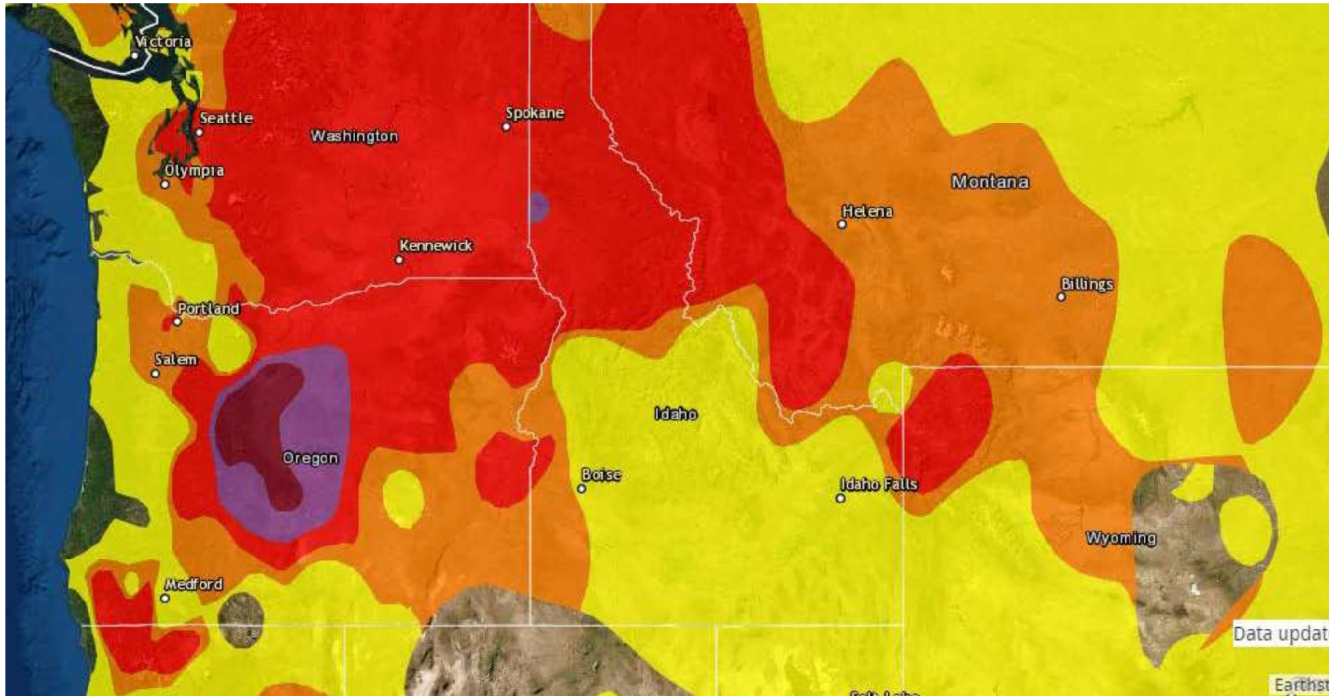
Watching: Archie Creek Fire

- Acres Burned:
130,429+ (as of: 9/18;
Source: [Inciweb](#))
- Counties Impacted:
Douglas
- Substations nearby:
 - Green Valley
GRNV



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Service Territory Air Quality Report



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Oregon Evacuation Zones

Northern Oregon



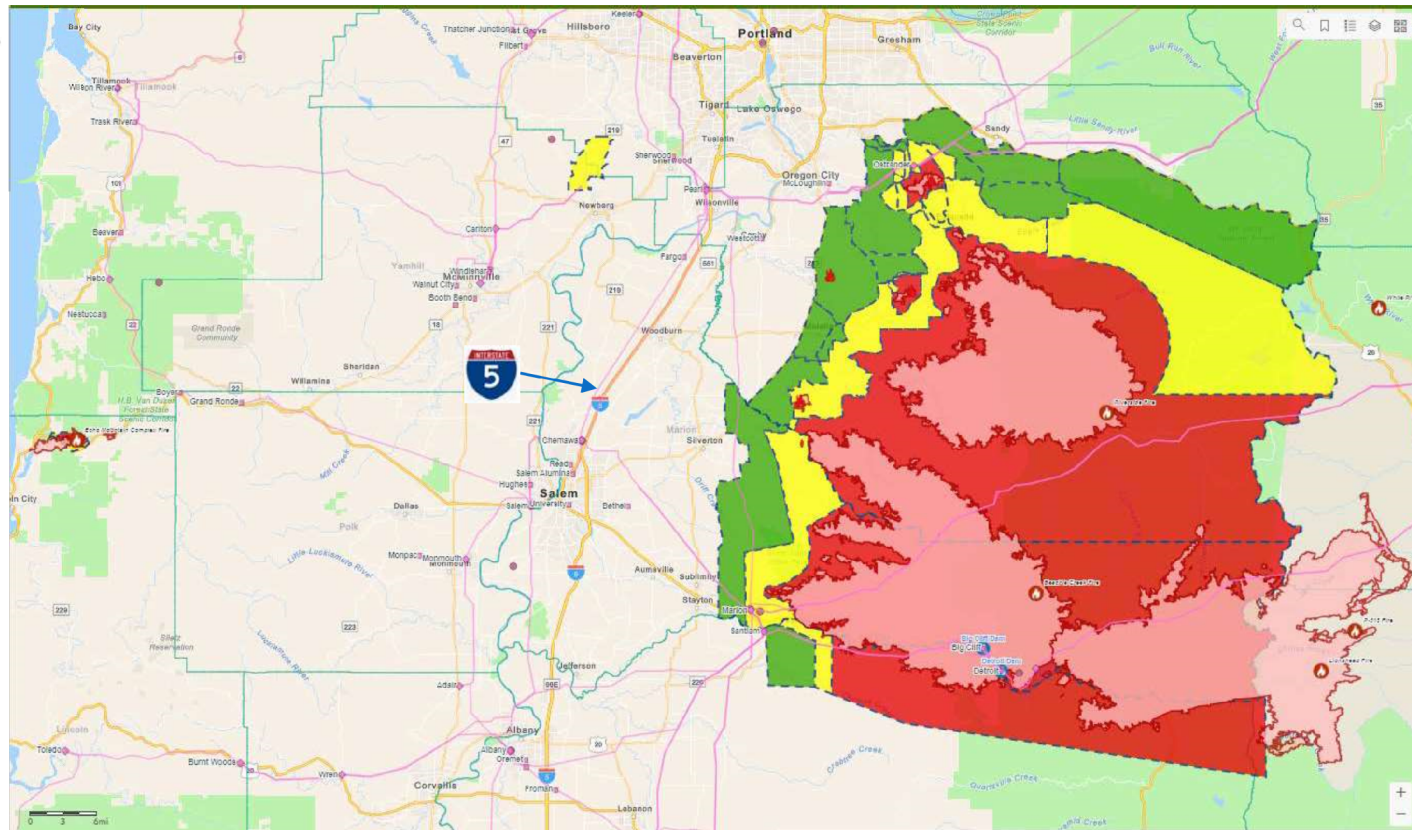
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Level 2: BE SET



Level 3: GO!

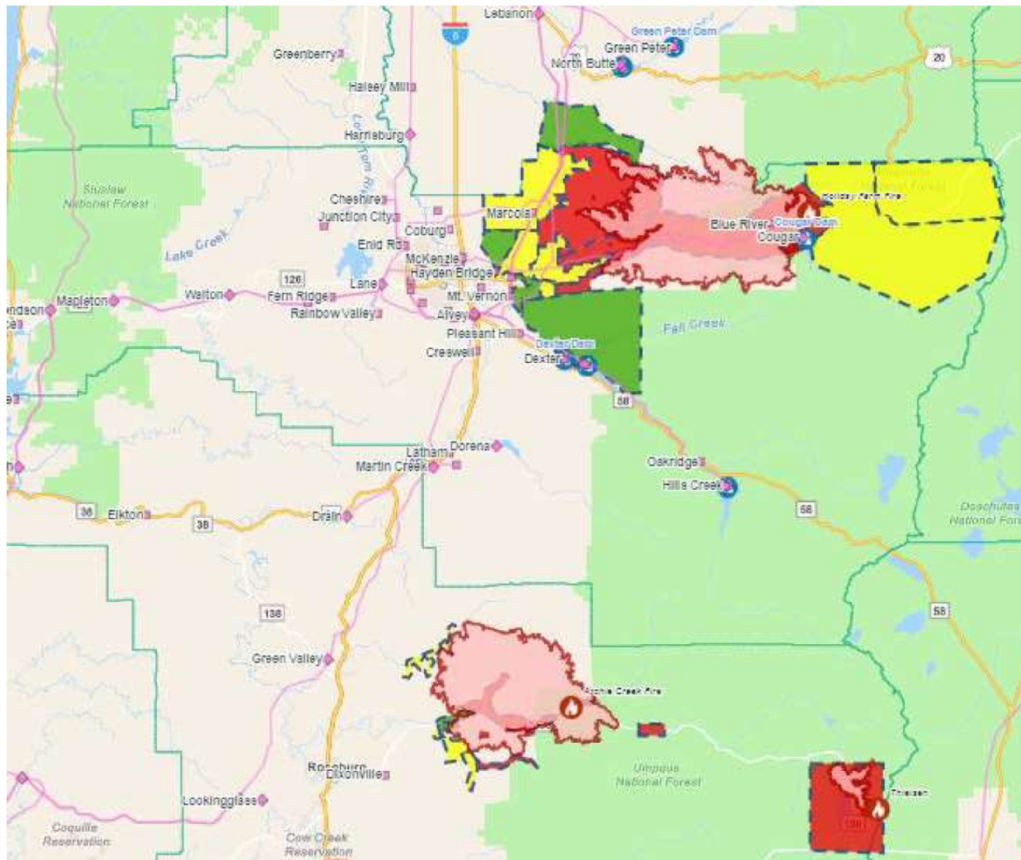


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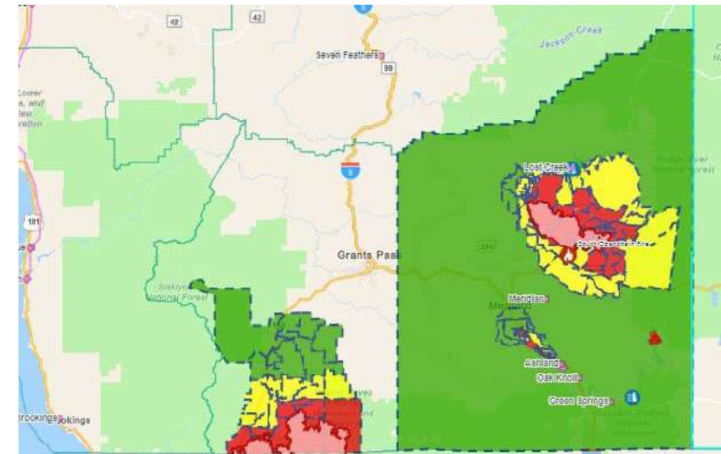
Oregon Evacuation Zones




Central Oregon



GIS source: [Raptor](#)

Southern Oregon



-  **Level 1: BE READY**
-  **Level 2: BE SET**
-  **Level 3: GO!**

BPA Situation Report

Operations Section Chief Report

- Active fires still burning in the area
- Fire investigations being conducted by outside Agencies and BPA
- 3 BPA lines currently OOS that we are responsible to restore.
- Electrical customers still impacted by BPA restoration:
 - EWEB – ETR TBD – EWEB is not ready to provide generation
 - Lane Electric – ETR 9-21-20
- All Fiber restoration complete per BPA contract
- Mutual Assistance
 - Continue to assess damage to BPA system to determine the need for or to provide mutual assistance
- Working with Operations and Planning to determine long range strategy as restoration work continues

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BPA Situation Report

Dispatch Priorities

- At this point in the restoration efforts the priorities have shifted from North and South priorities to BPA System priorities. At this point in the restoration these are TO, TF, IMT and agency priorities.
- BPA System Priorities
 - Assessment of Jones Canyon-Tumble Creek section of Jones Canyon-Santiam #1 230kv line
 - Restoration of Cougar-Holden Creek #1 115kv line
 - Cougar – Blue River Tap
 - Blue River Tap – Holden Creek
 - Restoration of Jones Canyon-Tumble Creek section of Jones Canyon-Santiam #1 230kv line
 - Restoration of Goose Lake-Okanogan section of Grand Coulee-Okanogan #2 115kv line
- Buckley remains on engine generators for Station Service power (SS is fed from Jones Canyon-Santiam #1 230kv line) . Fuel needs have been addressed

BPA Situation Report

POD Outages as of 08:00

- **Cougar – Holden Creek** (some TOP, some ours)
 - Forces out Cougar PH and **Carmen Smith generation (EWEB)**.
 - Blue River POD for **Lane Electric** is OOS on this line
- **Foster Creek Sub**
 - Normal source to POD is available
 - Nespelem POD Restored from Douglas. Customer restored
 - Chief Joe SS other trouble
- **Jones Canyon – Santiam #1 230 KV line**
 - Tumble Creek-Santiam section restored
 - Forces out Buckley Station Service
 - Wind Generation restricted to 50% name plate.
- **Brewster – Foster Creek** (TOP line for Okanogan, not a BPA line)
 - North Bar POD (Douglas Co.) OOS 0345 9/8 (not a BPA Customer)
 - Just listed here as they loop through our system
 - Still out. ETR 9-22-20. 9/11 @ 1115 restored up to Foster Creek.

BPA Situation Report

South Region Activities

- **Salem: *Santiam Fire***
 - **Jones Canyon-Tumble Creek section of Jones Canyon-Santiam#1 230kV:**
 - Continue patrolling and assessing damage
 - **Marion Sub:**
 - Normal operations
 - Continue daily evaluation and coordination
- **Eugene: *Holiday Farm Fire***

All efforts in fire footprint shut down until at least 9/18 @1800; will impact restoration estimates; shut down may be extended

 - **Cougar-Holden Creek #1 115kV:**
 - Cougar - Blue River Tap (6 miles)
 - Restoration work complete
 - Tree Crews continue to cut danger trees ETR - TBD
 - Working with stakeholders to restore POD at Blue River Tap for Lane Electric on 9-21-20
 - Lane Electric energized EG to serve their load upriver
 - Blue River Tap – Holden Creek (21 miles)
 - Assessment and work plan complete
 - Verifying availability of materials
 - Actively increasing additional resources

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North Region Activities

- **Grand Coulee**
 - Continue restoration on GCOU – OKAN #2 115kv
 - ETR – 10-2-20
 - Actively reducing resources

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Logistics & Planning

- Logistics
 - VHF mobile repeater tested, site rental contract negotiations on going
 - Material and equipment needs being met including shipments of masks to response crews
- Planning
 - Demobilization and resource reallocation tracking
 - Investigatory cooperation and document retention
 - Tracking of all work cleared from the TLM work schedule and system impacts

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Media Analysis

WASHINGTON FIRES

- No new news.

OREGON FIRES

- **Santiam Canyon Fire**

- WALL STREET JOURNAL

https://www.wsj.com/articles/oregon-fires-show-power-lines-pose-threat-beyond-california-11600353002?st=5kcxdsm3uurtxe5&reflink=share_mobilewebshare

Other utilities also have facilities nearby including the federally-owned Bonneville Power Administration. A Bonneville spokesman said it had no information linking its equipment to fires.

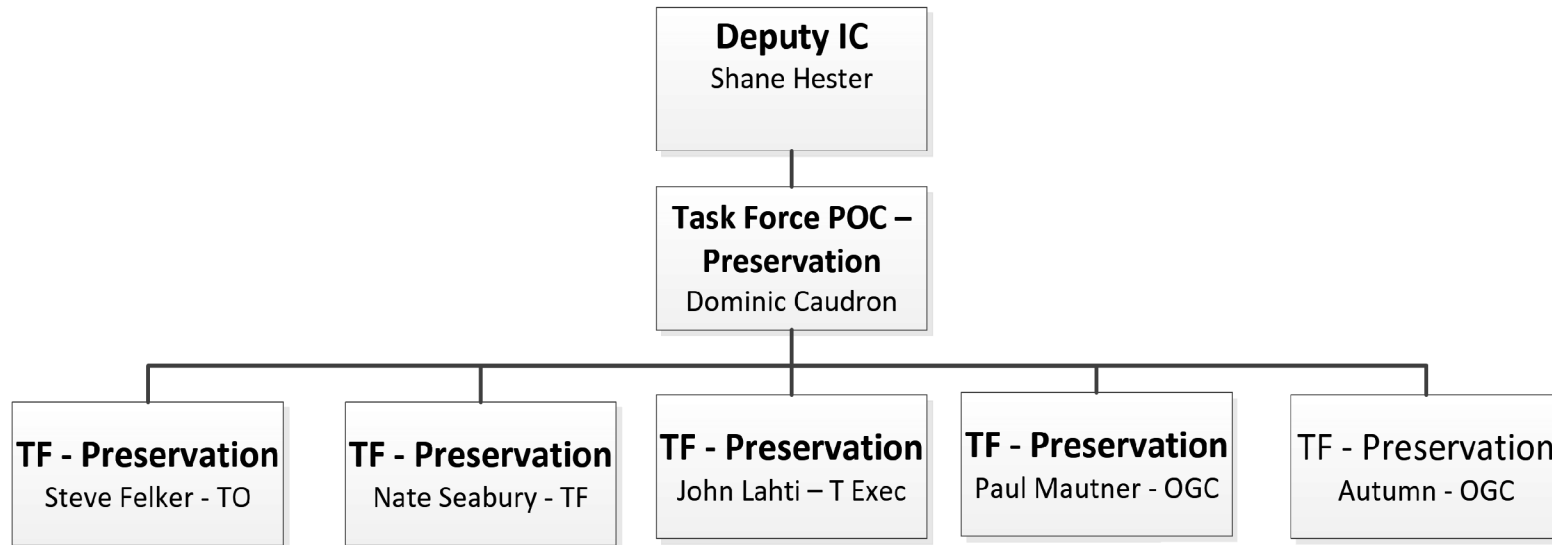
- Story mentions all of the utilities with equipment being impacted by the Santiam Canyon Fire. (This story is behind a paywall. Apologies if you cannot access. We are reluctant to share in its entirety due to copyright requirements.
- BACKGROUND: PIO conducted and interview with WSJ reporter Rebecca Smith on 9/14/20. Most of our conversation revolved around the outage report available through BPA.gov on the Transmission section of the website and two outages listed below.
- Ms. Smith's focus was mostly on two BPA lines listed on the report: The on the Sept. 8 Slatt to Ashe Marion 500 kV 500 kV line outage and the Sept. 7 Santiam: 69 kV CPI Feeder Line #1 outage. PIO explained the circumstances surrounding both outages and provided general information about BPA's wildfire response consistent with the approved statement and talking points. We worked with Dispatch personnel assigned to the IMT to provide details about the Slatt to Ashe – Marion 500 kV line. We confirmed that BPA does not own the 69 kV CPI Feeder Line #1.
- **Holiday Farm Fire**
- EUGENE REGISTER GUARD – Eugene, Ore. No mention of utilities.
<https://www.registerguard.com/story/news/2020/09/17/updates-holiday-farm-fire-10-contained-missing-down-3/3482031001/>
- KVAL TV – Eugene, Ore. No mention of utilities. Good information about restrictions throughout the affected area.
<https://kval.com/news/local/holiday-farm-fire-command-moves-to-restrict-access-ahead-of-stormy-weather>

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Media Analysis

- **GENERAL WILDFIRE STORIES OF INTEREST**
 - OREGON GOVERNOR BROWN PRESS CONFERENCE - Thursday, Sept. 18, 2020
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dW_rkqfEDCM&feature=youtu.be
 - Final Question from KATU TV Portland regarding pre-emptive utility shutoffs
 - Response: *Essentially she says that there will be an investigation to determine the exact cause of the fires, including any responsibility utilities may have. There are going to be roles for the PUC and legislature ensuring that we have sufficient fire safety policies in place to make sure we are establishing the risk for both investor and consumer owned utilities. The legislature will examine those issues.*
 - **Oregon Constituent Account Executive Julie Peacock**
- **PIO activities**
 - All employee email announcing the cessation of our Accountability efforts
- Questions: email pio@bpa.gov or contact Doug Johnson at 503-713-7658.

Preservation Order



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Additional Report Outs

- Liaison Officer (Inter. Gov. Affairs) – Dan James
- Liaison Officer - Marybeth O’Leary
- Customer Liaison – Tina Ko