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### Lime Fire & Kidder 2 Fire Update – 9/15/2019

**Yreka, CA.** – The Lime and Kidder 2 Fires were started by lightning on September 5, 2019. The following are updates for each fire:

**Lime Fire** – is located south of Cottonwood Peak on the Happy Camp/Oak Knoll Ranger District.

The fire is currently at 1,872 acres 84% contained.

On Saturday firefighters worked on strengthening fire containment lines and extinguishing remaining hot spots within the fire perimeter. Today they will work on increasing the percentage of containment and further securing the fire in advance of an approaching cold front.

Today's weather forecast is for gusty winds, increasing clouds and a slight chance of rain in the afternoon. Maximum temperatures are forecast between 68 to 76 degrees. The minimum humidity on the highest elevations of the fire is expected to be between 25 to 35%. Forecasted wind speeds are 3 to 20 mph with gusts to 25 mph.

Information on the Klamath National Forest Lime Fire closure order, issued on September 11, can be found at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notice>. The public is asked to remain away from closed areas, to allow the firefighters, engines, helicopters, and other equipment to work safely.

The September 7 evacuation warning for residences within and adjacent to the Lime Fire, was lifted by the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office on Wednesday September 12.

The public is advised to continue to exercise extreme caution along Highway 96 when driving in the vicinity of the fire. To ensure public safety, the highway occasionally may be subject to temporary closure.

**Kidder 2 Fire** – is located ten miles southwest of Fort Jones in the Marble Mountain Wilderness on the Salmon/Scott River Ranger District.

This fire is located in remote and extremely difficult terrain. The fire is 181 acres in size and 54% contained. Smoke from this fire occasionally has been visible this week from State Highway 3, indicating additional fuel being consumed within the fire perimeter. Today

firefighters are concentrating on keeping the fire within the containment lines on the east side of the fire.

The Pacific Crest Trail passes near the Kidder 2 Fire. For their safety, hikers are advised to avoid the fire area.

Information on the Klamath National Forest Kidder 2 Fire closure order, issued on September 11, can be found at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notices>. Forest visitors can contact the Salmon/Scott River Ranger District Office at (530) 468-5351 for additional information or alternative recreational opportunities in the area.

Additional information and daily updates:

Lime Fire InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6576/>

Kidder 2 Fire InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6584/>

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