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Local Contact:

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### **Dead Canyon Fire (Klickitat County)**

At 10:00 PM on August 23, 2009, mobilization ended for the Dead Canyon fire. The fire burned approximately 6,000 acres in grass and brush. One structure was lost prior to mobilization being declared.

The fire was turned back to Klickitat #10 at 7:00 AM on August 24, 2009. The last mobilization resources were demobilized this morning and are en-route to their home agencies.

### **Oden Fire (Okanogan County)**

Fire is currently 30% contained. 8592 acres and 570 personnel assigned. Level 2 evacuations affecting approximately 300 homes.

Overnight the crews completed dozer line around the previously unburned section on the NW corner of the fire. There is approximately 2.25 miles of line that will need a burn out to secure that line. Substantial mop up remains within the fire district around residences.

Public Information Officer Koshare Lomnicki can be reached at 509-946-3445 or 509-496-3539

### **Dry Creek Complex (Benton County)**

The fire is currently 40,000 acres and 80% contained. Mobilization ended at midnight last night.

The State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at Camp Murray has been activated to Phase II, to coordinate state assistance for the Grant County Complex. Personnel from the Office of the State Fire Marshal will be en-route to the scene of the fire to coordinate dispatch of resources, while other personnel are staffing the State EOC at Camp Murray.

Under the mobilization plan, the Fire Protection Bureau will be coordinating the initial dispatch of firefighters, engines, water tenders, and helicopters. The Washington State Fire Services Mobilization Plan is implemented to provide personnel, equipment and other resources from around the state when wildfires

exceed the firefighting capacity of local jurisdictions. More information about the Washington State Fire Services Mobilization Plan is available at:  
<http://wsp.wa.gov/fire/wildfire.htm>.