



2026 Railroad Fire

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INITIAL UPDATE: July 24, 2026 PM Update

Estimated Size: 5442 acres at 11 AM 7/24/26

Containment: 0%

Start Date/Time: 07/23/2026 approximately 11 PM

Area of Fire: Near Beverly Washington moving east along Saddle Mountain and Lower Crab Creek area.

Cause: Under investigation

Structures Damaged: Under investigation.

Injuries: None

Closures and Evacuation Levels: Level 3 evacuation in all of Beverly, all of the town of Schwana, and if you live along Lower Crab Creek Road up to 7 miles east around SR243.

Level 2: for the Lower Crab Creek from the 7-mile mark to and including Symrna.

Level 1: (get ready) evacuation notice: SR243 from Morrison St in Schwana south to Road 24-SW.

Level 1: Starting at Road O SW between Road R at the peaks down to Road 24 SW, extending 5 miles east. For updated information on the evacuations and road closures, please visit the Grant County Sheriff's Office Facebook:

- <https://www.facebook.com/GrantCoSheriff>

Update: The Fire has grown a lot over the last 24 hours! The southwest area of the fire south of Beverly dunes is still hot and trying to make runs up the north side of Saddle Mountain. The dense cattails and trees in the Lower Crab Creek drainage continue to hold heat, even with the scoopers doing water drops on Thursday and Today. VLATS are dropping retardant, where it is permitted, to build containment lines on the East end of the fire. Where Road O SW comes over the crest, fire has found dense fuels to reach the top.

There is a Temporary Flight Restriction in place over the fire area. Do not fly your drones in or around the fire. Air resources cannot fly if you do!

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