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Fire start date: 8/7/26	Location: 3 miles north of Sunrise Visitor Center	Cause: Undetermined
Acreage: 167	Percent Contained: 57%	Engines: 4
Personnel: 229	Aircraft: Shared resources	Crews: 7

Grand Park 2 Fire Update for Monday, August 17

CURRENT STATUS: Progress toward containment is moving quickly with the addition of a second hand crew into Grand Park 2. Additionally, an Australian task force leader has joined the operations group as part of an international mutual aid compact that has brought more than 300 fire personnel to the Northwest. All international specialists meet U.S. wildland fire qualification standards.

Hazardous fuel removal is ongoing at Sunrise Visitor Center, where crews are removing debris to preserve the natural appearance of the landscape. A structure protection plan is being developed for Suntop Lookout on the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest.

AIR QUALITY: The Mount Rainier National Park and surrounding areas will continue to see 'moderate' air quality today. For information on smoke conditions and air quality, visit <https://fire.airnow.gov/>.

WEATHER: Wind speed will increase today and rise to a peak on Tuesday when a stronger onshore push is expected. This will result in a brief cooldown for the incident on Tuesday before warming resumes and thermal belts strengthen Wednesday through Friday.

Above average temperatures today could expose new starts by stimulating them to generate smoke. Fire crews are watching closely for new smokes and will respond to them immediately.

CLOSURES: Sunrise Visitor Center is closed. The White River Wilderness Information Center is open; however, White River Road to White River Campground and Sunrise Road from the White River Campground to Sunrise Visitor Center are closed until further notice. White River Campground is only open to those with permits. All trails originating from these park roads and all trails in the Grand Park area are also closed until further notice. A complete copy of the closure order and a map can be found at <https://www.nps.gov/mora/learn/news/fire.htm>.

A Forest closure is in effect for the Grand Park 2 Fire area. Multiple Forest Service roads, trails, trailheads, and the Lonesome Lake Campground are closed to protect public and firefighter safety. These closures include all of FSR 75 and its spurs, FSR 7510, 7530, 7550, 7560, 73, 7315, and 7320, along with the Huckleberry Creek and Suntop trails. For full closure details, visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r06/mbs/alerts/grand-park-2-fire-closure>.

SAFETY: Campfire bans are in place for Mount Rainier National Park and Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. Campfires or the ignition of wood, briquettes, or any fuel in fire pits, fire pans, and barbecue grills are prohibited. Use of portable, petroleum-filled cooking stoves, heating devices, and/or lanterns using liquefied or bottled fuel are permissible provided such devices can be turned off.

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