



News Release

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Update on Chehalem Mountain-Bald Peak Fire at 4p.m.

Some residents who were evacuated are being allowed to return home. The searchable map at this link <https://tvfr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=1981954eb1814f9ea896ab7a0eb4f784> shows areas that are now safe, though it's important for people to be prepared to leave again if fire conditions change.

There are still 72 firefighters working at the scene of the Chehalem Mountain-Bald Peak fire. Considerable progress has been made. Revised estimates of burned area based on ground reconnaissance, aerial footage and GIS analysis is 875 acres. Firefighters have been able to protect all homes, but three barns have burned. Water is being dropped from the air and dozers are being used to cut fire lines. The biggest challenge is steep terrain and canyons. There have been no known injuries to residents, firefighters or animals. The fire is approximately 50% contained. Fire commanders are currently assessing containment progress.

We are very grateful for the level of support we've received from partners and members of the community. Though we appreciate the kindness, we do not need food, water or other supplies delivered to fire stations or work sites.

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