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NEWS RELEASE

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Meadows Fire

100% Lined, Mop-Up In-Progress

ROGUE VALLEY, ORE. – Local residents called in a “*Human Caused*” fire at 12:40 a.m. in Sams Valley: eight (8) miles Southwest of Shady Cove. The Oregon Department of Forestry – Southwest Oregon District (ODF-SWO) responded with five (5) engines, two (2) hand crews, one (1) dozer, and three (3) water tenders. There was approximately forty-five (45) ODF-SWO personnel on scene. Jackson County Fire District No. 3 also responded with one (1) engine and one (1) water tender. A preliminary investigation reveals that a down powerline is the cause of the four (4) acre fire.

Rogue Valley is in a fire weather “Red Flag Warning” today and into Labor Day weekend: triple digit heat, low humidity, and gusty winds. The risk of large costly fires is high. With 96% of Southwest Oregon's fires being *Human Caused* this season, ODF asks that the public exercise extreme caution and follow local fire restrictions, [Southwest Oregon is currently in “Extreme.”](#)

Fire Name	Meadows
Size	4 Acres
Containment %	100% Contained, Mop-up in progress
Start Date & Time	12:40 am, 9/4/2020
Location	Sams Valley (8 Miles Southwest of Shady Cove) / Block 14000 of Meadows Road
Expected Weather	Triple Digit Heat, Low Humidity, Gusty Winds
Cause	Human Caused (Under Investigation)
Personnel	Approx. 45
Crews	2
Engines	5
Dozers	1
Tenders	3
Structure Task Forces	Fire District 3 was on scene with 1 engine and 1 water tender

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