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## State Fire Mobilization Authorized for the Glade Creek Fire

State fire assistance has been mobilized under the Washington State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan in support of local firefighters working to contain the Glade Creek Fire, located in Yakima County near Mabton. The Glade Creek Fire is burning in grass and sage brush. Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste authorized the mobilization of state firefighting resources on September 8, 2018, at 11:00 am at the request of Fire Chief Rhon Raschako, Yakima County Fire District 7.

The Glade Creek started on September 7, 2018, at approximately 9:09 pm. This fire is estimated at 3,000 acres and growing. It is threatening homes, crops and infrastructure. Level 1 evacuations are in effect at this time. The fire cause is under investigation.

Mobilization specialists from the Fire Protection Bureau have ordered three wildland strike teams, two dozers and two hand crews. The fire will be managed by a Type 3 Incident Management Team.

The State Emergency Operations Center at Camp Murray is activated to Level 2 to coordinate state assistance for the Glade Creek Fire. State Fire Marshal's Office personnel are en route to the scene to coordinate dispatch of resources.

Under the State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan, the Fire Protection Bureau coordinates the initial dispatch and continued administrative oversight of resources and personnel for the duration of the incident. The Mobilization Plan is implemented to provide a process to quickly notify, assemble and deploy fire service personnel, equipment and other resources from around the state when fires, disasters or other events exceed the capacity of local jurisdictions. More information about the Washington State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan is available at: <a href="http://www.wsp.wa.gov/draft-all-risk-mobilization/">http://www.wsp.wa.gov/draft-all-risk-mobilization/</a>.



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