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To: Todd Forbes, District Manager

From: Samantha Orient, Team Leader *SKO 7/20/21*

Subject: 72-Hour Report, Log Fire Incident

Type of Injuries: Possible Exposure to Hazardous Fumes (Paint, Plastics)

Damage to Equipment: Type 6 Engine Vehicle and Pump Package Sustained Burn Damage, Further Inspection Scheduled 12:00 07/20/21

Synopsis: The Log Fire was reported at 0600 on July 12th 25 miles south of Silver Lake, Oregon. It is being managed as part of the Bootleg Fire. On July 14th, five engines stationed at local districts were dispatched to help team resources with containment along FS Road 28. BLM Engine 1 crew was working with USFS Engine 1 and a contract T1 skidgine. Their assignment was to manage spots on the unburned side of the road and cool flare ups along the road edge. The fire bumped south along the west edge of the road with 2-3 ft flame lengths and isolated torching. Personnel from both engines worked on the green side of the road to catch any spots. The wind shifted and an 80' section along the road lit, sending 30-40' flames towards the BLM engine. The engine boss and crewmember joined the driver in the cab. The road forward was blocked. They backed south along the 28 road as flames curled over the engine. In 90 seconds, the winds had shifted again and the flames drew back from the road. The engine personnel were uninjured. The driver's side of the truck sustained damage (complete vehicle inspection pending). The BLM Engine was driven to a nearby staging area and towed to a secure facility.

The Log and Bootleg fire resources have reported extreme fire behavior in 100 and 1000 hour fuels and urge fire personnel to use extra caution in drought-affected areas this season.

A review team is in place.