

Firefighters Contain Local Brush Fire

Local firefighters battled a brush fire on a logging clearcut about one mile out Seidleman Road on August 16, one of the hottest day of the summer. With temperatures soaring to around 95°, volunteers

and personnel from six different agencies, Vernonia, Mist-Birkenfeld, Banks, Scappoose, Forest Grove, and the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF), responded quickly and effectively to the blaze. ODF dispatched two

helicopters, which dipped water from Vernonia Lake, to help suppress the fire; several long-time residents said this was the first time they had ever witnessed the old mill pond utilized this way. Firefighters were

able to establish a line around the fire and had it contained by evening and were “mopping up” the next day. One Vernonia firefighter had to be taken from the scene by ambulance, and was in stable condition and improving the following day according to VRFPD Chief Dean Smith.



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