



**Northern Rockies
Incident Management Team 7**
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FIRE INFORMATION

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INCIDENT STATISTICS

Location:
Elmo, MT

Cause: Under Investigation

Size: 10,923 acres

Containment: 0%

Elmo Fire

July 31, 2022
11:00 AM

**Public Meeting Notice – Monday, August 1st at 7:00 pm
Elmo Pow Wow Grounds, Hwy 93**

The Elmo Fire is currently 10,923 acres and 0% contained. Northern Rockies Team 7, a Type II Incident Management Team led by Incident Commander John Thompson assumed command of the Elmo Fire today, July 31st at 6:00 am.

Evacuations

- **Pre-evacuation warnings are still in place for residents south of Lake Mary Ronan Road and west of Hwy 93.**
- Evacuation orders were lifted for Chief Cliff Estates.

Area Closures

Highway 28 is now OPEN. Smoke may cause low visibility, please use caution when driving.

The Boat Ramp at the Elmo Fishing Access Site is CLOSED.

Lake Mary Ronan State Park is CLOSED.

Current and Planned Activity

Yesterday, engine crews from local volunteer fire departments and Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes were able to hold the fire north of Hwy 28. Smoke jumpers and hotshot crews worked the west and east sides of the fire as heavy machinery constructed indirect fireline. Multiple aircraft were utilized to support ground resources with water and retardant drops. The majority of active fire was on the north/northwest end.

Today, firefighters will focus on areas where fireline is located directly along the fire's edge. On-the-ground efforts will include holding fireline currently in place, constructing direct fireline where possible and scouting for future opportunities. Air resources will continue to aid firefighters on the ground with water and retardant drops.

Weather: Mostly sunny with temperatures in the upper 90's to 100's. A red flag warning is in effect from 2pm to 9pm due to high temperatures and winds.

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