

Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #4



Four Corners Fire Update

Friday, August 26, 2022 Contact Fire Information: 208.207.7417

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Start Date	Cause	Size	Percent	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total
			Containment					Personnel
8/13/22	Lightning	9,201 acres	18%	8	33	22	5	766

Yesterday, cooler temperatures mellowed fire behavior on the Four Corners Fire. Fire activity was primarily along the ridge above Hazard Creek and north of Wilson Peak in subalpine fir along ridges and in insect-killed timber. Smoke coming from the lower portions of the fire, near Lake Cascade, is from scattered areas of the fire that continue to smolder and consume patches of unburned brush as it slowly spreads downhill. Firefighters, with support from helicopters dropping water, worked to locate and extinguish small fires from embers that fell across the 435 road on Wednesday to keep the fire above the 435 road and away from residential areas along the lake.

Today, fire crews will continue extending containment lines with slow and steady burn outs, with the support of favorable west winds, along the southwest edge of the fire near Pole Creek to Poison Creek. Burn outs are when firefighters intentionally ignite vegetation along the containment line under the right conditions so the flames will burn towards the main fire with a lower fire intensity. The pre-selected containment line along the Campbell Creek Trail was completed with the addition of hoses and water pumps to prepare for when the fire reaches the ridge. Firefighters also continue to strengthen the line by removing vegetation with chainsaws and equipment. Masticators are clearing brush from both sides of the road near the Campbell Creek community. Across the fire, firefighters continue digging, removing dead trees, and extinguishing heat along the fire's steep and rugged terrain.

Air quality is being monitored and forecast in the Four Corners Fire vicinity. Specific information about local smoke levels, forecasts, and possible health impacts is available at https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/cc0ac676/.

As the weekend arrives, please be sure to check all current closures and restrictions. Use caution traveling through the area and be aware of the increased fire traffic. Additionally, boaters on Lake Cascade should be continuously aware that water scooping planes and helicopters may use any area of the lake throughout the day to draw water to support the firefighters. Since the fire started, over 3.1 million gallons of water have been dropped by air resources on the Four Corners Fire.

Evacuation Information: Residences in God's Acres and French Creek are under evacuation status (Go). The Campbell Creek area is under pre-evacuation notice (Set). Others in the vicinity are encouraged to consider evacuation preparations (Ready). Please visit https://www.wildlandfirersg.org/ for information on packing and preparing for evacuations. For more information on evacuations and local support, call the Valley County Sheriff's Office at 208.382.5160.

Closure Information: The Payette and Boise National Forests revised the closure area to better reflect changes in fire activity and continue to protect the public and firefighters. The complete closure order – including a full description of the trails, roads, and areas closed and an accompanying map – is available at https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/8331/.



