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New area closure in effect due to Deep Creek Fire

GREAT FALLS, Mont. September 2, 2022 – On Wednesday, August 31 a new fire was reported south of Great Falls in the northwest corner of the Little Belt Mountains. In response to the fire, a new area closure is in place to help protect fire personnel and the public.

“With a red flag warning in effect today, and dry conditions for the foreseeable future, we are implementing this order to keep hunters and visitors a safe distance from the active fire and give space to fire personnel to manage the incident,” said Belt Creek-White Sulphur Springs District Ranger Helen Smith. “We appreciate your patience and will rescind the order as soon as it is safe to do so.”

The area closure includes Deep Creek Trail #309, Temple Gulch Trail #308, Trail #311, and Trail #303. The closure will be in effect until September 30, unless rescinded earlier.

Visit: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8371/> for the latest information on the Deep Creek Fire and to find a copy of the closure order and map.



Aerial photo taken of the Deep Creek Fire on August 31

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