



# Owl and Horse Fires

Thursday September 15, 2022 – 8:30 a.m.

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## Quick Facts

Fire Name	Owl	Horse
Fire Location	20 miles west of North Fork on the North Fork Ranger District	approximately 5½ miles northwest of Corn Creek on the North Fork Ranger District in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness
Start Date	09/08/2022 at 07:06 MDT	09/08/2022 at 13:06 MDT
Cause	Undetermined	Undetermined
Approximate Acreage	747 acres	391 acres
Containment	0	0
Fire Resources	67	

**Summary:** The Owl and Horse fires are under the command of Wyoming Type 3 Team 5. Both fires are zero percent contained. The Owl Fire is estimated to be 747 acres while the Horse Fire is at 391 acres. Between the two fires there are 67 personnel including 4 Engines, 1 Crew, 1 Fire Module, 1 Ambulance, 2 Fireline Paramedics, and 1 Overhead Team.

**Yesterday:** Crews finished brushing and improving Owl Creek Trail - #6152 and East Owl Creek Trail #6153. The weather cleared enough for a recon flight over the Horse Fire and a portion of the Owl Fire. As a result, a more accurate map of the Horse was produced, which showed an increase in acres with light to moderate fire severity.

**Today:** Fire personnel will continue to build and strengthen containment lines on the southern portion of the Owl Fire. They will continue to identify opportunities for treatment options. This evening the command of the Owl Fire will transfer to the Great Basin Team 1, who is also managing Moose Fire. On the Horse Fire, crews will work to identify and evaluate protection points and tactics to keep the fire off private and within the Wilderness. The Horse Fire will transfer to a Type 4 organization. Both incoming teams will be shadowing today and assume command this evening at 08:00 pm this evening.

**Weather:** Increasing clouds through the day, with scattered showers and thunderstorms over or near the fire in the afternoon. Cooler temperatures with highs in the mid-sixties and higher minimum humidities. Winds will be light drainage winds around 7 mph and becoming south to west in the afternoon. Gusty and erratic winds are possible around the afternoon thunderstorms.

**Safety Message:** Do not let the rain and cooler temperatures fool you. Energy Release Components (ERC) are still at unprecedented levels. Be aware while recreating in and around the fire areas. Minimizing risk to responders and public safety are the top priorities for the Owl and Horse Fires. Fire managers appreciate your cooperation. If you are recreating near an ongoing wildfire suppression operation, please keep your distance - do not congregate in the area and allow the firefighters to do their job safely and efficiently.

**Thank You:** The Wyoming Type 3 Team 5 wishes to thank the community and cooperators for their cooperation, hospitality, and hard work. This is a great community!

### Horse and Owl Public Information:

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