



# Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #4



## Tenmile Fire Update

Saturday, September 17, 2022

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Start Date	Cause	Size in acres	Percent Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total Personnel
9/7/2022	Lightning	2,003	0%	4	15	12	-	385

After scouting the NF-318 Road, four fire crews began improving the road system as a containment line to continue the northern perimeter around the Tenmile Fire. Once completed, this road system will finalize the northernmost border around the fire, protecting potential values at risk. This northernmost containment line includes populations of Whitebark pine, which have slowly been declining on the Payette National Forest due to insects and disease. Additionally, these containment lines will also protect numerous historic cabins in the area.

Due to the updated closure order, NF-318 Road is currently closed to the public to allow for firefighter safety and execution of operations. Several other roadways within the area are still open to the public and drivers are urged to drive slowly and remain aware, as fire crews will continue vegetation removal and chipping operations along many of the roads. Fire activity remains the same throughout the fire area with minimal creeping and smoldering, and the possibility of isolated tree torching in pockets of dry vegetation.

Yesterday, a mix of clouds and sun settled over the fire. However, the fire received little to no rainfall. Similar conditions are expected for today, with slightly less cloud cover and a lower chance of rain. The chance of rain increases significantly Sunday, as moisture moves into the region.

### Air Quality:

Air quality remains good. However, there remains a chance of increasing smoke in surrounding communities if fire activity increases. Surrounding communities should anticipate that smoke will remain visible until a significant season ending weather event moves through the fire area. Visit [airnow.gov](http://airnow.gov) for more information.

### Closure:

For the safety of firefighters and the public, two emergency fire area closure orders are in effect for the Tenmile Fire on the Payette National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management, Cottonwood Field Office. The closure orders, including a full description of the trails, roads, and areas closed, are available at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/8401/>.