

Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team #4



Tenmile Fire Update

Sunday, September 18, 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	12	12	=	381

Crews continue to clear vegetation and disperse the debris among the forest floor through chipping operations along the NF-318 Road. The fire remains active and continues to hold heat in isolated areas with minimal creeping and smoldering. Yesterday's clear skies and warmer temperatures increased torching in some areas, which produced smoke columns in the afternoon.

NF-318 Road remains closed to the public to allow for firefighters to safely clear and chip the vegetation debris. Many other roadways remain open to the public, but we ask the public to stay mindful of firefighters and fire traffic in the surrounding areas of the fire.

Recently, several isolated weather systems have moved through the area with only minimal amounts of precipitation falling in and around the fire area. The Remote Automated Weather Station (RAWS) on Crystal Mountain, in proximity to the fire, received no measurable rainfall. Rainfall is expected mid-day Sunday possibly into the evening with a warming and drying trend to begin Monday and continue Tuesday. Temperatures are expected to be higher than normal throughout the week.

Air Quality:

Air quality remains good. However, with warming temperatures the fire activity may increase and produce smoke that may impact the surrounding communities. Surrounding communities should anticipate that smoke will remain visible until a significant season ending weather event moves through the fire area. Visit <u>airnow.gov</u> 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/.



