



CENTRAL MONTANA T3  
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# Trail Ridge Fire

## Fire Summary

Approx. 5 miles SE Sula, MT  
Approx. 11 miles NW of Big Hole National  
Battlefield

**Size:** 17,084 acres **Completion:** 48%  
**Personnel:** 164

## CURRENT STATUS

Yesterday the fire area experienced warm conditions in the morning followed by isolated thunderstorms with high winds in late afternoon. These weather conditions allowed for the fire to remain more active, similar to the previous few days, and smoke was visible from the East Fork Road and Hwy 93. Most fire activity has been on the north flank of the fire and mainly in the 4B Drainage. The weather today will be sunny and moderate fire activity in this area is expected again. The fire perimeter is still within the indirect containment lines and crews are monitoring fire behavior in this area.

Crews have finished work along Meadow Creek Road on indirect line and road prep near the 2017 Myers Fire Burn Area. On Forest Service Road 106 crews continue with suppression repair work, crews are removing branches and small trees that were cut and moved when the fuel break was created using a chipper and other methods to disperse material and reduce the impacts of suppression work.

## FIRE WEATHER AND BEHAVIOR

Today will be mostly sunny with little chance for precipitation over the fire area. The next chance for precipitation is forecasted for Wednesday through the end of the week with greater confidence of a wetting rain than previously predicted.

## TRAIL RIDGE CLOSURES AND SPECIAL MESSAGES

### Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

- See the Fire Area Closure Order Map for Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

### Bitterroot National Forest

- See the Fire Area Closure Order Map for the Bitterroot National Forest
- Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are in effect on all Bitterroot National Forest Lands

Specific closure information can be found at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8365/>