



Boise National Forest

Fire Information

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East Fire Update – August 19, 2023 @ 10:00 A.M.

- 4158 acres
- 0 percent contained
- Location: 10 miles East of Cascade, Idaho
- Cause: Under Investigation
- Personnel: 261
- Currently no evacuation orders

Yesterday the area experience higher relative humidities and cloud cover that assisted firefighters in their efforts to contain the East Fire. The weather did bring with it some winds that created spot fires and growth in acreage. The main growth of the fire occurred downslope towards the Middle Fork River and south towards the East Fork Clear Creek. Air resources worked throughout the day to drop retardant on the upper slopes and scooper planes dropped water in the areas near the streams.

The 11 hand crews currently on scene are spread out along the western edge of the fire from the repeater site to Forest Road 405. Work includes digging containment line, improving road access, and falling snags or trees that could fall across the line.

Today the Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team will access the fire area, and work alongside the current fire managers on the ground to gain knowledge. The Incident Command Post will be located south of Cabarton road, so expect fire traffic travel across Highway 55 and in that area.

Values threatened include the East Mountain repeater site, timber sales, trail systems, and private timber lands.

Weather: Isolated showers and thunderstorms are expected after noon with areas of smoke. High temperatures are expected to be around 82 with calm winds. Chance of precipitation is 20%

Closure Area: expected to be issued later today.

Air Quality: <http://idsmoke.blogspot.com/>

Web: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/boise/>

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InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/idbof-east>.



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