



Buckskin 2 Fire

Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Sandpoint Ranger District

Fire Information: 208-557-8813

<https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/idipf-buckskin-2-fire>

Type 3 Incident Commander, John Ramsey

August 8, 2023

Location: Located approximately 8 miles due south of Clark Fork, ID on Delyle Ridge, between Twin Creek and Dry Creek, south of Highway 200 **Start Date:** 8/4/2023 **Cause:** Under Investigation
Size: 185 acres (estimated) **Containment:** 0% **Total Personnel:** 80 **Engines:** 7 **Hand Crews:** 2 **Modules:** 3 **Heavy Equipment:** Dozer

The primary objectives for fire officials managing the Buckskin 2 Fire are firefighter and public safety while working to keep it as small as possible. The fire is estimated at 185 acres but due to the increase in fires around the nation, an infrared flight to accurately map the fire has not yet occurred. Crews have begun to build direct handlines along the east and west flanks of the fire, while dozers are constructing indirect line on the north and south side of the fire. The fire remains roughly 1.8 miles from the nearest residence. Fire crews will begin assessing structure protection work today on Dry Creek.

Yesterday, the fire was active with some single and group tree torching. Aircraft is being shared with fires around the area but will be available as needed today.

EVACUATION STATUS

The Bonner County Sheriff's Office issued a READY evacuation notice for the residents of Twin Creek Rd and Rearden Rd in Clark Fork. Sign up for [Bonner County Sheriff's Office](#) emergency messaging through NIXLE at www.nixle.com.

CLOSURES AND SPECIAL MESSAGES

A Forest Closure Order is officially in effect for roads associated with the Buckskin Fire; the intersection of USFS road 203 and 332, the intersection of 1021 and 332 as well as roads 1533 and 306 in Clark Fork. UTV trail 77 is closed as it goes right into the drainage where the fire is burning. The public is prohibited from the general area for firefighter safety and practice caution while driving near firefighters and apparatuses.

Stage II Fire Restrictions will be going into effect at 12:01 a.m. on Wednesday, 8/9. To view the Idaho Fire Restrictions Plan and a statewide map with current information regarding fire restrictions, please visit <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions-finder>.

Drone Restrictions. For the safety of our aerial resources and firefighters on the ground, please do not fly unmanned aircraft (drones) in the fire vicinity. **If you fly, we can't.**

WEATHER

The fire received light to moderate precipitation yesterday. A chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms is predicted again. Partly sunny with a high of 82 degrees and west winds around 8 mph are forecasted.