



Fact Sheet for the Colt Fire August 21, 2023

Location: 15 miles northwest of Seeley Lake, Montana **Start Date:** 7/17/2023
Cause: Lightning **Size:** 7,154 acres **Containment:** 51%
Total Personnel: 319 **Engines:** 9 **Helicopters:** 2 **Hand Crews:** 7

Current

- Forest Service closures are still in effect around the fire area. For your safety and the safety of fire crews, please do not violate closure orders. Know before you go.
- Excavators installed waterbars in dozer lines in anticipation of heavy rain today.
- Patrol and monitoring are ongoing.
- Crews continue to mop-up residual heat along the southwestern edge.
- Chipping of material created earlier during fuel reduction along contingency lines will continue on the southern and eastern perimeters.

Outlook

- Substantial tropical moisture from Hurricane Hilary is expected to make its way into the area for the next couple days.
- Firefighters will engage in mop up activities today, as weather allows.
- High temperatures may only reach 70 degrees.
- In anticipation of higher containment, suppression repair and rehabilitation plans are being made.

Closures

- The Lolo National Forest has lifted the closure of the following:
 - ✓ Rainy Lake Campground and access road
 - ✓ Alva Lake Campground and access road
- All other Forest closures remain in place, including Lakeside Campground.
- Specific closure information can be found at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mtmts-colt-fire>.

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