



Miller Peak Fire

Lolo National Forest

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<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mtInf-miller-peak-fire>

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Northern Rockies Team 5, Incident Commander Joe Sampson

Location: 7 miles south of Missoula, MT

Start Date: 7/14/2024

Cause: Unknown

Size: 2,581 acres

Completion/Containment: 25%

703 Total Personnel; 20 Engines; 3 Helicopters; 18 Hand Crews; 11 Water Tenders; 18 Heavy Equipment

COMMUNITY MEETING TONIGHT (JULY 23RD, 2024) AT BONNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

9045 HWY 200 BONNER MT 59823 MEETING WILL BE RECORDED THEN POSTED TO FACEBOOK

CURRENT STATUS

The fire experienced minimal growth yesterday. On the northeastern section of the fire, crews continued to secure and hold the line. From the Miller Peak ridge top they are continuing their efforts to put in heavy equipment line into the Allen Creek area. In addition, crews were successful in maintaining lines on the western perimeter of the fire, working into the Miller Peak area. Crews on the southeastern edge of the fire work to secure and hold the direct line within Moccasin creek. Additionally, hand crews, dozers and feller bunchers (large piece of equipment similar to a harvester that cuts down trees and groups them) are securing line along Moccasin Ridge road. In the Greenough Creek drainage, crews continued to construct direct hand line.

WEATHER AND FIRE BEHAVIOR

Hot and dry conditions persist over the fire area. Yesterday, temperatures warmed up into the 90s and humidity readings once again dropped into the teens. The fire location is under a heat advisory issued by the National Weather Service until Tuesday. The fire area will be under a Fire Weather Watch starting midday on Wednesday, which implies hot, dry and gusty winds are expected.

CLOSURES

A temporary flight restriction is in effect over the fire area. An area and road closure around the fire is in effect due to hazardous conditions resulting from fire activity. Stage II fire restrictions are in effect in the area. Specific closure information and maps are posted on InciWeb at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mtInf-miller-peak-fire> and <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/lolo/alerts-notice> as they are implemented.

