



# WEST MOUNTAIN COMPLEX

## Wolf Creek, Boulder, Snag, & Dollar Fire Updates

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### QUICK FACTS

Fire	Location	Size	Containment	Personnel	Start Date
Wolf Creek	5 miles W of Donnelly	1,154 acres	49%	260	7/24/2024
Boulder	9 miles SW of Cascade	1,594 acres	6%	411	7/24/2024
Snag	11 miles E of Cascade	10,571 acres	0%	21	8/5/2024
Dollar	18 miles NE of Cascade	1,377 acres	0%	0	8/5/2024

**Cause:** Lightning (All Fires)

#### Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior:

Lighter winds are expected today, but sunny skies and less moisture will lead to lower humidity. Several lightning strikes were recorded yesterday evening above the Dollar and Snag fires, but no new starts were recorded. Cooler temperatures and humidity are expected to increase throughout the week.

#### Boulder Fire:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-boulder-fire>

Smoke continues to rise from fire activity within Fawn Drainage. Firefighters prepared for strategic firing activities in the Grassy Flats area to strengthen existing firelines. Using aerial resources, firefighters ignited some remaining fuels between the northern burnout operation footprint and southern fire footprint. This strategy reduces vegetation and other fuels to reduce fire intensity. Near contingency lines north of the fire, a small number of white bark pine “plus trees” grow. “Plus trees” are mature white bark pines that have not been affected by blister rust, and genetic testing has indicated a resistance to the fungus. Seeds are collected from these trees, which are used to propagate blister rust-resistant seedlings used for recovery efforts after events such as fires. These trees are tagged and studied by the Forest Service, which enables them to be identified and protected by resource specialists on the fireline.

#### Wolf Creek Fire:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-wolf-creek-fire>

Fire behavior remains relatively subdued on the Wolf Creek fire and the fireline continues to hold. Containment improved today reaching 49%. Crews are working hard and are getting closer to connecting the containment line around the fire perimeter. On Friday, the Valley County Sheriff’s Office lifted the “ready” evacuation order for Zones 7 and 8 which applied to structures and property along the western side of Cascade Lake.

#### Snag Fire:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-snag-fire>

Last night, firefighters patrolled the Warm Lake Highway to monitor fire behavior. In the Warm Lake residential area, firefighters worked to stage equipment, such as water pumps and hose, if needed for future structure protection actions. A confinement strategy is underway to create a containment boundary around the southern fire perimeter to protect the resources around Horsethief Reservoir. Indirect line to the south will be utilized to further this containment boundary. Fire movement continues in all directions, with the biggest growth occurring in the northeast corner. Incident responder and public safety remain the highest

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priority while also protecting power lines along the Warm Lake Highway leading to Yellow Pine, private structures, and the Warm Lake Highway itself.

### Dollar Fire:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-dollar-fire>

The Dollar Fire saw minimal growth yesterday. The fire line reached an old burn scar to the top of the eastern ridgeline, and the fire is expected to burn itself out in that area. Firefighters are keeping an eye on the fire's movement towards the Dollar Trailhead and a nearby drainage.

### SNAG FIRE EVACUATION INFORMATION

The Valley County Sheriff's Office issued a "ready" evacuation order for Warm Lake residents and the North Shore Lodge at Warm Lake on August 7th. The map can be found on Inciweb: <https://tinyurl.com/42auxnk8>. A second "ready" evacuation order was issued on August 8th for the Horsethief area, including the YMCA Camp, and areas of Scott Valley. This map can also be found on Inciweb, with the relevant areas outlined in purple: <https://tinyurl.com/4vfj657x>

Ingress along the Warm Lake Highway on the east side of Scott Valley is closed. Currently, westbound traffic toward Cascade along the Warm Lake Highway is allowed. Residents and recreators in the area will be notified of the closure. Residents not currently at their homes will be granted one-time access into the Warm Lake area to retrieve animals and other property if they can provide a valid address. Anyone who remains in the area should be prepared for a full closure of the Warm Lake Highway and have enough fuel to exit the area via the Deadwood area or Lick Creek Road. As a reminder, the South Fork Road remains closed due to construction unrelated to the Snag Fire.

Review the READY, SET, GO evacuation procedure for Valley County: <https://www.co.valley.id.us/ReadySetGo>

For timely information on evacuations, check out your county's emergency alert system.

- Valley County: <https://www.co.valley.id.us/CompleteEmergencyNotificationandAlerting>
- Adams County: <https://public.alertsense.com/SignUp/PublicUser.aspx?regionid=1077>

### FOREST CLOSURES

**Wolf Creek Fire Closures:** On the Payette National Forest, a closure including popular National Forest System roads around the Wolf Creek fire such as: sections of NFS #1763 (West Mountain Jeep Trail), #835, #206, #326. On the Boise National Forest, Forest Road #435 (Anderson Lake Road) was closed on August 1.

**Boulder Fire Closures:** The Boise National Forest has issued a closure order #0402-04-98 for National Forest System (NFS) roads, trails and lands encompassing the Boulder Fire. The closure was enacted to protect public safety and support fire suppression activities. The closure includes Blue Lake and Snowbank Mountain Road (#446) along with all #404 and #421 system roads.

**Snag Fire Closures:** The Boise National Forest has issued closure order # 0402-04-100 for the National Forest System (NFS) roads, trails, and lands around the Snag Fire.

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For maps and more detailed descriptions of the closures on the Payette National Forest, please visit:  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/payette/alerts-notices>

For maps and more detailed descriptions of the closures on the Boise National Forest, please visit:  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notices>

**Fire Restrictions:** Stage 1 Fire Restrictions have been issued for the Payette Fire Restrictions Area on the Payette National Forest and the West Central Mountains Fire Restrictions Area on the Boise National Forest.

For more information on the restrictions and a very helpful interactive map, visit

<https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions-finder/>

### Important Links

- Payette National Forest: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/payette>
- Payette National Forest Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PayetteNationalForest>
- Boise National Forest: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/boise>
- Boise National Forest Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BoiseNationalForest>
- Idaho Department of Lands: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/>

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