

# Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #4



## Limepoint and Cliff Mountain Fires

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Limepoint: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-limepoint-fire>

Cliff Mountain: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-cliff-mountain>

<https://www.facebook.com/payettenationalforest/>

Start Date	Cause	Size	Percent Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total Personnel
7/24/24	Lightning	29,832	27%	4	25	14	8	646

Despite continued hot and breezy conditions over the past several days, the Limepoint Fire perimeter has largely remained static. The fire is most active on the north and east sides where steep slopes combined with upslope winds and dry vegetation have contributed to active fire conditions. If similar conditions continue this afternoon, the public may see an increase in smoke on the northeast side of the fire.

Firefighters on night shift are working in the areas of Bear and Cuprum ensuring that there are no hot spots that could threaten the existing fireline. Securing the communities of Bear and Cuprum has been a concerted effort and continuing priority for fire management. In the next several days, firefighters will begin rehabilitation of some dozer lines and other suppression methods, increasing activity in the area.

Crews are making steady progress tying in handline and dozer line to natural barriers along the east side of the fire. Out of an abundance of caution to protect surrounding communities, crews are using heavy machinery, such as masticators and bulldozers, to create a contingency line on the east side of the fire.

While the health and safety of firefighters and the public is always the number one priority, the protection of critical infrastructure, including powerlines on the south side of the fire, is a paramount concern and focus of protection efforts.

**The Cliff Mountain Fire** started by lightning on July 25 in Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. The fire is 1,108 acres with 20 percent containment. Although there has been no fire activity or smoke in the past several days, firefighters are continuing to actively assess current and future potential movement on the Cliff Mountain Fire and will take aggressive action if needed.

**Evacuations:** Cuprum is at Evacuation Level 2 (SET) per the Adams County Sheriff. Bear and Wildhorse are at a Level 1 (READY). Only residents and property owners are allowed in the area until further notice.

**Closures:** The Payette National Forest issued a closure to protect public safety. For more information, visit <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-limepoint-fire>. County roads within the closure area are only accessible to firefighters and local residents. Huckleberry Campground is inaccessible due to county road restrictions and therefore closed. Forest Road 454 along the Snake River is open, but please drive cautiously.

**Restrictions:** [Stage 1 Fire Restrictions](#) are in effect for the Payette National Forest and all [state, private and BLM lands in the fire area](#). Under these restrictions, campfires are allowed only in recreation sites within metal fire pits. Fires of any kind are not allowed in any dispersed camping areas.

Visit <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/> for more information on these and other fires.