

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #4



Limepoint Fire

Friday, August 16, 2024

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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/>

Limepoint Start Date	Limepoint Cause	Limepoint Size	Limepoint Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Limepoint Total Personnel
7/24/24	Lightning	31,545	42%	4	20	14	7	609

On the northern side of the fire near Horse Mountain suppression efforts continue as firefighters link containment lines and reduce potential for the fire to spread. Crews are taking advantage of favorable conditions by conducting burning operations with air and ground crew support before conditions shift to hot, windy, and dry weather on Saturday.

The Kleinschmidt Grade, the notorious steep and narrow road from Hells Canyon to Cuprum, is being evaluated for the removal of large trees and debris. This road remains closed but is a priority for crews as it serves as an evacuation road out of Hells Canyon.

On the east edge of the fire heat is still being detected in some spots and crews are containing anything that has the potential to burn. Night crews worked vigilantly monitoring and patrolling the fireline keeping the Bear and Cuprum communities safe.

On the southern end of the fire near Barber Flat and Paradise Flat firefighters continue with repair efforts to help the landscape return to its natural state.

A low-pressure system moved across the fire area and brought lightning and gusty winds yesterday which ignited three new starts on the Payette National Forest. Aerial resources assigned to the Limepoint Fire helped with initial attack.

The **Cliff Mountain Fire**, located approximately 7 miles north of the Limepoint Fire, is **1,108 acres with 75 percent containment**, burning mostly in wilderness will return to Wallowa-Whitman National Forest jurisdiction at 0600.

Evacuations: Evacuation levels continue unchanged. Cuprum remains at a Level 2 (SET) evacuation level, per the Adams County Sheriff. The Bear and Wildhorse communities remain at a Level 1 (READY) evacuation level. For your safety and the safety of firefighters, please stay away from the fire area. Only residents and property owners are allowed in the area until further notice.

Closures: The Forest Closure Order issued by the Payette National Forest to protect public safety near the fire area remains in effect. For more information about the closure, visit <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-limepoint-fire>.

Restrictions: [Stage 1 Fire Restrictions](#) remain 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.

Special Note: The Council Mountain Music Festival will be held as planned this weekend at Veterans Memorial Peace Park, adjacent to Adams County Fairgrounds in Council. The fairgrounds are serving as the Incident Command Post (ICP) for the Limepoint Fire. Fire managers and festival organizers are coordinating to ensure the enjoyment of festival attendees, and the safety of both festival attendees and fire personnel.

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