



WEST MOUNTAIN COMPLEX Boulder and Wolf Creek Fire Updates

August 4, 2024

Boulder-Wolf Creek Fire Information 208-462-0345 (8am-8pm)

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Summary: The Boulder and Wolf Creek Fires started on the evening of Wednesday, July 24, 2024. On July 31st an incident management team was delegated the West Mountain Complex which includes: Boulder, Wapiti and Bulltrout Fires on the Boise National Forest and the Wolf Creek Fire on the Payette National Forest. A full suppression strategy is being utilized on these lightning-caused fires. For firefighter safety, please avoid high traffic fire areas, slow down while driving and give the firefighters room to do their work. As we enter the busy weekend, be aware of aerial resources and give them plenty of space while recreating on Cascade Lake as they are using the reservoir as their water source for suppression.

Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior: Weather will moderate today as monsoonal moisture from yesterday continues to impact the fire area. Temperatures will be lower than the previous days and relative humidity will be higher as a result. This weather brings a potential for lightning and winds from scattered thunderstorms which can increase fire behavior and may test existing control lines.

Actions: Resources are identified and prepared for initial attack. Aircraft will be ready to support firefighters on the ground on any new fires.

Boulder Fire: The fire continued to actively burn in pockets of Subalpine fir yesterday on the north and east sides of the fire. Crews continued reinforcing existing containment lines and the heavy equipment Task Force continues to construct indirect containment line.

Wolf Creek Fire: An inversion kept the fire actively burning through Friday night and into the early morning hours on Saturday, as a result the fire spread to the south and west crossing into the Wolf Creek drainage. Crews will continue to construct containment lines with the support of heavy equipment and aerial resources today while reinforcing lines that are in place.

Quick Facts	
Fire Location	Wolf Creek: 5 miles W of Donnelly, ID Boulder: 9 miles SW of Cascade, ID
Size	Wolf Creek: 1084 acres Boulder: 841 acres
Containment	Wolf Creek: 6% Boulder: 5%
Personnel	Wolf Creek: 245 Boulder: 188
Start Date	Both Fires: 7/24/2024
Cause	Both Fires: lightning
Incident Commander	Mike Johnston, Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #7
Online Links	
InciWeb:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idpaf-wolf-creek-fire https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-boulder-fire 	
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Idaho Department of Lands	
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Important Information: 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. Near the Wolf Creek Fire, Forest Road #435 (Anderson Lake Road) was closed on August 1st. For more information on closures on the Boise National Forest please visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notices>

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 and #326 was issued on July 27, 2024. For a map and a more detailed description of the closure please visit: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/payette/alerts-notices>

For the Wolf Creek Fire, the Valley County Sheriff's Office has issued a "ready" evacuation order for residents in Zone 7 and Zone 8. The "ready" status means that there is a threat or hazard to your local area. At this level, residents should be thinking about their evacuation plan and monitoring trusted news sources for any change in evacuation status. Maps and additional information on the evacuation status can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/5n7kbuy6>

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://adcogov.org/adams-county-emergency-notification-system-codered> .

Stage 1 Fire Restrictions have been issued for the Payette Fire Restrictions Area. To check your specific area or for more detailed guidelines: <https://tinyurl.com/56rmf7p6>.

The Boise National Forest, Idaho Department of Lands, and Bureau of Land Management will begin Stage 1 fire restrictions on state, endowment, private and federal lands within the West Central Mountains Fire Restrictions Zone. **The restrictions go into effect at 12:01 a.m. on Aug. 5th.** For more information on the restrictions and a map visit: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions-finder/>

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