



Red Rock and Black Eagle Fires

Incident Update

Date: September 22, 2024



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Fire Information: 208 389 4709

Hours: 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

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Website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/scnf/>



Incident Websites:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idsf-black-eagle-fire>

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idsf-red-rock-fire>

FIRE BEHAVIOR:

The increase in winds today, coupled with low RH and higher temperatures, will lead to an increase in fire behavior across the fires. There will be surface fire spread across all fuels, especially in the heavy dead and downs. Although we will see an increase in fire behavior, with the possibility of visible fire and smoke, it is important to note that this activity will occur within the current fire perimeter.

FIRE ACTIVITY:

Red Rock Fire is currently at 3055 acres and 32% containment.

Crews took advantage of the favorable weather, advancing directly south from Fourth of July Creek to the 60110 road, then continuing west along the 60110 road to the southernmost edge. As fuels dried out, fire behavior intensified, leading to increased fire spread. The fire remained active in the bowl near Red Rock Peak but stayed within its current footprint.

Today, crews will focus on establishing a direct line north from Red Rock Peak, as well as along the southern portion of the fire and up the west flank. Maintenance and grading work are ongoing, along with the use of chippers to clear tree debris typically left from firefighting efforts. This tactical repair work will continue as resources transition to a long-term suppression repair strategy.

Black Eagle Fire is currently at 6465 acres and 8% containment.

Yesterday, crews concentrated on hotspots along the southeast side of the fire near Black Eagle Creek and Black Eagle Mine, establishing direct lines and conducting hazard tree abatement along nearby roads. This work will continue today, with additional hazard tree abatement along the 60112 road. Crews will also focus on securing spot fires both east and west of Black Eagle Creek.

WEATHER:

Mostly sunny skies are forecast for this morning, with increasing cloudiness as well as winds and wind gusts through the afternoon. High temperatures for today are forecast to warm into the lower 60's, with minimum RH levels of 21-26%.

FOREST CLOSURES:

For forest closure information please go to: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/scnf/alerts-notice>

EVACUATIONS:

For evacuation information in Lemhi County regarding these fires please go to: [Emergency Management Department | Lemhi County, ID \(lemhicountyidaho.org\)](https://www.lemhicountyidaho.org/emergency-management).