



WEST MOUNTAIN FIRES

Boulder, Snag, Dollar & Goat Fire Updates



September 6, 2024

Fire Information Phone Line: 208-462-0345 (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.)

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Fire	Location	Size	Containment	Assigned Personnel	Inciweb Link
Boulder	6 miles SW of Cascade	3,957	24%	462	https://tinyurl.com/ycdfv3tv
Snag	11 miles E of Cascade	32,478	13%	449	https://tinyurl.com/4k9dk3mu
Dollar	18 NE of Cascade	4,170	3%	15	https://tinyurl.com/bef6r3tz
Goat	11 miles SE of Cascade	4,613	0%	102	https://tinyurl.com/2h4a3dvr
Cause:	Lighting (All Fires)	Total Incident Personnel	1028		

Special Announcement:

Rocky Mountain Complex Incident Management Team Three assumed command of the West Mountain Fires this morning at 6 a.m. Incident Commander Bill Waln and Team Three look forward to serving your communities.

Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior:

A high-pressure system remains over the fire area again today. Temperatures will stay between the low 70’s and mid 80’s and winds will remain light and mainly terrain driven. Expect smoke to linger over Cascade and up through McCall. Relative humidity will remain low, and fire activity should be moderate. It is likely that these fires will continue to burn until a season-ending weather event. Historic average indicates this will occur around mid-October.

Army crews from the 14th Brigade Engineer Battalion based at Joint Base Lewis McChord are imbedded with fire crews working to secure line on the Boulder Fire and Snag Fire, and soldiers are also assisting with radio operations.

Boulder Fire: “Set” and “Ready” evacuation orders are in effect. Learn more at [Valley County Sheriff on Facebook](#).

- Yesterday, hand crews made significant progress in the Olson Creek and Brush Creek drainages nearly connecting two separate indirect handlines. Other fuel breaks on the northern edge were established using dozers and heavy equipment, connecting roads above the Willow Creek subdivision to the 4 Corners fire footprint. The structure protection group continued to build a plan of action for the Willow Creek subdivision.
- The night shift remains staffed, with fire engines patrolling for hotspots and monitoring fire behavior.
- Today, firefighters and heavy equipment will keep constructing containment line between the fire and residences. Crews are working to complete handline in the Olson Creek drainage. Depending on fire and weather conditions, aviation resources will be used again today to support these efforts on the ground.

Dollar Fire:

- Fire growth was again minimal on the Dollar Fire, with mostly some creeping behavior in the north near rocky terrain. The fire is being monitored, and crews are removing unneeded equipment in this area.

Snag Fire:

- Warm Lake Road remains open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. with one lane of traffic and a pilot car for individuals vetted through the Valley County Sheriff’s department. Go slow and safely; firefighters are working along the roadway.
- Resources are holding and improving the fire’s edge along the Warm Lake Rd, 409 Clear Creek Rd and the West Flank of the fire. Yesterday, the fire consumed some unburned fuel in this area; increased smoke may have been visible due to this activity.
- Heavy equipment continues to improve and remove fuel from the road systems on the west side of the Warm Lake subdivision. Engines remain stationed around the subdivision for structure protection.

Goat Fire:

- The Goat Fire had minimal growth yesterday. Crews caught a spot fire over the containment line on the north end and continue securing it today. Crews will monitor the fire’s growth to the north and south looking to utilize the 099 trail to prevent the fire from spreading to the west.