



WEST MOUNTAIN FIRES

Snag, Dollar & Goat Fire Updates



September 17, 2024

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

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Fire	Location	Size	Containment	InciWeb Link
Snag	11 miles E of Cascade	33,300	33%	https://tinyurl.com/4k9dk3mu
Dollar	18 NE of Cascade	4,360	8%	https://tinyurl.com/bef6r3tz
Goat	11 miles SE of Cascade	26,456	0%	https://tinyurl.com/2h4a3dvr

Cause: Lightning (All Fires) **Personnel** 662

Special Note: This will be the last update from the Rocky Mountain Area Complex Incident Management Team 3 (RMCIMT3) for the West Mountain Fires. Tomorrow at 6am, there will be an orderly transition of command to the Great Basin Area Incident Management Team 2. RMCIMT3 is honored to have served this community.

If driving on Hwy 55 past the helicopter base just south of Cascade, please slow down and be aware of firefighter and vehicle activity. There is traffic turning into and out of the helibase from Hwy 55.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Today will be chilly and damp with more wetting rain expected. Sporadic showers should occur through much of the day, bringing another ¼” to ½” more of rain. Temperatures will range from the lower 40s on the ridges to the lower 60s in the valleys. Winds should come from the southwest but remain light at less than 10 mph. Humidity values are expected to remain in the 80 - 90 percents through much of the day. These season-slowsing weather events continues to moderate fire behavior, which should be little more than smoldering at this time.

Dollar Fire:

- Rehabilitation of handline on the south side of the Dollar Fire is nearly complete.

Snag Fire:

- Warm Lake Road is open to the public, but the 409 Road extending south into the fire area from the Warm Lake Road remains closed. Please drive with caution; firefighters are still working and patrolling in this area.
- There has been very little heat at the north end of Warm Lake Road; the nearest heat is about 500 feet in from the fire’s perimeter. Nearly this entire west side of the fire in now contained.
- Rehabilitation/suppression repair is beginning along the Warm Lake Road. in conjunction with guidance from Resource Advisors.
- Crews are still working in the Warm Lake area on structure preparation and are performing chipping operations around Warm Lake neighborhood and the Fish Hatchery area.
- Firefighters are patrolling around houses in the Horsethief area.
- While rain hampered some efforts yesterday, dozer line construction continues between the fire’s edge and the Horsethief Reservoir, near Lost Basin Cutoff and the 0066 Trail.
- Chipping is complete along the Horsethief Road.

Goat Fire:

- Crews have successfully constructed fireline along the northwestern edge of the Goat Fire, from the gap between the Goat and the Snag, running to the Forest Service boundary, continuing around to the 099 Trail. Today, masticators will work to improve this line for the next several days.
- Chipping is complete along the 409 Road.