



Red Rock and Black Eagle Fires Incident Update Date: September 28, 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 WEATHER WATCH ISSUED FOR SUNDAY FOR RED ROCK AND BLACK EAGLE FIRE AREAS

FIRE ACTIVITY:

The Red Rock Fire is at 3,217 acres and 73% containment.

Yesterday's warmer, drier weather resulted in increased fire activity in areas with heavy dead and down fuels. Aircraft support was used to help maintain control features in areas of increased activity. While the fire added a very few acres, those acres were mostly within the existing fire footprint. Crews continued to focus on improving lines and increasing line depth using a combination of direct, indirect, and point protection tactics.

The Black Eagle Fire is at 6,888 acres and 8% containment.

The Black Eagle Fire added a few acres overnight, primarily in designated wilderness, and crews continue to monitor the fire closely. Like the Red Rock Fire, the Black Eagle Fire saw increased fire activity in areas with heavy dead and down fuels. In areas outside of designated wilderness, aircraft supported ground crew efforts to secure and improve the fireline. Crews are utilizing MIST tactics, including direct and indirect attack, outside of wilderness boundaries.

WEATHER:

A trough of low pressure moves into the Pacific Northwest this weekend, creating unseasonably warm and dry conditions in the fire area. Winds from the west-southwest pick up Saturday afternoon, gusting to nearly 20 mph. The winds will remain gusty overnight, then increase to west-southwest winds up to 15 mph with gusts of 35 mph or higher by Sunday afternoon. Due to the dry, windy conditions, the Incident Meteorologist (IMET) has issued a Fire Weather Watch for Sunday for the Red Rock and Black Eagle fire area.

FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Moderate overnight humidity recoveries moderated fire behavior somewhat across both fires. Areas where humidities fall below 25% with gusty afternoon winds can experience increased activity in heavy dead and down fuels, including short-range spotting. Controlling spot fires and direct line construction in these areas will be the most difficult for firefighters.

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

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).