



# 2024 Valley Fire Update

Sunday, October 13, 2024

<p><b>Valley Fire Details</b>  <b>Location:</b> 1 mile east of Boise, Idaho  <b>Reported:</b> October 4, 2024  <b>Cause:</b> Under investigation  <b>Acres:</b> 9,904  <b>Containment:</b> 79%  <b>Personnel:</b> 160  <b>Fuels:</b> Timber, brush and short grass</p>	<p><b>Incident Updates</b>  <b>Management:</b> Nevada Team 2 Type 3 Team  <b>Contact:</b> Robbie Johnson <b>Cell:</b> 208-908-1786  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:rjohnson@idl.idaho.gov">rjohnson@idl.idaho.gov</a>  <b>Incident Facebook:</b>  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/IdahoDepartmentofLands">https://www.facebook.com/IdahoDepartmentofLands</a>  <b>InciWeb:</b> <a href="https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idids-2024-valley-fire">https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idids-2024-valley-fire</a></p>
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**Incident Activity:** Containment grew to 79% thanks to helicopter water drops and the work of ground crews. A large portable water holding container is now in place in the north area of the fire. This decreases travel time for water tender engines. The water is used to extinguish hot spots and further strengthen containment line. The north/northeast portion of the fire is still the most active. Ground crews will be moving further into the fire footprint to address the remaining interior burning. Fire activity is still a safe distance from the community of Robie Creek. Crews continue to monitor the south and west portions of the fire visible from Boise. No injuries have been reported and no primary structures lost.

**Recreation Message:** The Valley Fire is still active and firefighting efforts continue. The public is asked to be aware of closures prior to being in the area and honor closures. Closures are in place for public safety. Even if there is no visible fire activity, there could be hot spots, damaged trees that could fall, fire traffic, and other safety concerns.

**Closures:** All roads and trails on the Boise Front segment of the Boise River WMA west of Highway 21 and north of Warm Springs Avenue are closed to all entry until further notice. This closure also extends to all travel off roads and trails. Visit <https://idfg.idaho.gov/article/portion-boise-river-wmas-boise-front-segment-closed-all-entry-due-valley-fire>. There is a Boise National Forest Valley Fire Area, Road and Trail Closure. Visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notice> or contact the Mountain Home Ranger District at 208-587-7961. Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation has an interactive map that shows trails impacted by the Valley Fire. Visit <https://arccg.is/10maj91>.

**Evacuations:** The Robie Creek area is still in a "Ready" or Stage 1 evacuation status. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/boisecountysheriff> for updates.

**Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory:** Fuels, such as grasses and timber, are back to critically dry conditions in the Great Basin, with record-level dry conditions in many cases. Extreme Fire Behavior has been observed on existing fires as well as new and emerging fires.

**Weather:** Dry conditions continue with highs averaging 70 degrees in the Valley Fire area and light winds.

**Valley Fire Overview:** The fire was reported Friday, October 4, 2024, about 1 mile east of Boise on the north side of Idaho State Highway 21. The fire was very visible from East Boise as it burned in mostly grassy fuels in the Boise Foothills. Quick work on initial attack stopped the fire from reaching nearby homes.

**No Fly Zone:** Flying drones in the fire area is NOT ALLOWED. Drones pose a safety risk for firefighting aircraft and can result in having to stop air operations. Please remember, if you fly, we can't.

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