



2024 Valley Fire Update

Monday, October 14, 2024

<p>Valley Fire Details Location: 1 mile east of Boise, Idaho Reported: October 4, 2024 Cause: Under investigation Acres: 9,904 Containment: 79% Personnel: 168 Fuels: Timber, brush and short grass</p>	<p>Incident Updates Management: Nevada Team 2 Type 3 Team Contact: Robbie Johnson Cell: 208-908-1786 Email: rjohnson@idl.idaho.gov Incident Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/IdahoDepartmentofLands InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idids-2024-valley-fire</p>
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Incident Activity: Firefighting aircraft flights over the Valley Fire were suspended Sunday because another private drone was in the **NO FLY ZONE**. Please remember, flying drones in the fire area is **NOT ALLOWED**. Drones pose a safety risk for firefighting aircraft and medical rescues that require an airlift. Fire crews continue making progress in the north/northeast portion of the fire closest to Robie Creek and are extinguishing hot spots further inside the fire perimeter. Fire activity remains a safe distance from the community. Crews continue to monitor the south and west portions of the fire visible from Boise.

Repair of Fire Suppression Activity: The Valley Fire was stopped from reaching homes near the Boise Foothills thanks in large part to dozer containment line and handline built by firefighters on the ground. Equipment and resources are shifting to repairing fire suppression impacts which includes seeding and erosion control on containment lines. The southern area of the fire already has some suppression repair completed.

Recreation Message: 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://arcg.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.

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.

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