

# **Railroad-Daly Fires**



Bitterroot National Forest
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
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inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mtbrf-railroaddaly-fire

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## Type 3 Incident Command Team, Incident Commander Matt Young

Location: Bitterroot NF: Railroad Creek/ Skalkaho Creek confluence, 26 miles southeast of Hamilton

Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF: 20 Miles northwest of Georgetown Lake Dam off Skalkaho Hwy 38

**Start Date:** 7/25/2024 **Cause:** Undetermined

Daly Fire Acres: 9,529 Railroad Fire Acres: 1,450 Completion: 56%

**Total Personnel: 252** 

### **CURRENT STATUS**

Cooler weather on the Railroad-Daly fire provided very little change in acres yesterday. Fire crews utilized firing operations to burn ground fuels between control line and the head of the fire from Gird Point Rd to Hwy 38. Helicopters aided firefighters during firing operations to cool down fires edge.

On the west side of the fire, crews will continue efforts in support of yesterdays firing operations by continuing construction of hand and dozer line below Gird Creek Road going south to Hwy 38. Structure protection will continue between Gird Creek Road and Hwy 38. Fire fighters will also continue to improve structure protection in Stoney Creek and monitor fires spread within upper Stoney.

#### WEATHER AND FIRE BEHAVIOR

Today's weather is predicted to be mostly sunny with max temperature of 69 degrees and relative humidity at 26-31%. Wind is predicted at 5-10 mph. High pressure will allow for warm and dry conditions with daily winds.

#### **EVACUATIONS**

On October 9, 2024 the Ravalli County Sheriff's Office issued an Evacuation Warning for residents off of Skalkaho Highway (1700-2500 block) due to the Railroad-Daly Fire. For more information on evacuations visit the <u>Ravalli County Sheriff Facebook page.</u>

To register your phone number for emergency notifications in Ravalli County visit, <a href="http://hyper-reach.com/mtravallisignup.html">http://hyper-reach.com/mtravallisignup.html</a>.

#### **CLOSURES**

For additional information on the Skalkaho Hwy 38 road closure visit Montana Department of Transportation. The Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest has issued an Area/Road/Trail Closure effective October 4, 2024. The Bitterroot National Forest has also issued a road closure effective October 10, 2024.

These order's are for public and firefighter safety during fire suppression efforts on the Fire.

Closure information and maps are posted on the Bitterroot and Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forests' website <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/bitterroot/alerts-notices">www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/bitterroot/alerts-notices</a> and <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/bitterroot/alerts-notices">www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/bitterroot/alerts-notices</a>.



