



Wildfire Fact Sheet

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FIRE SUMMARY OCTOBER 28, 2024

The Central Idaho Dispatch Zone is at **HIGH** Fire Danger

Salmon, Idaho- October 28, 2024- There has been one (1) new fire reported on the Salmon-Challis National Forest since the last update on Monday, October 21, 2024. To date, there have been 67 wildfires reported on the Salmon-Challis National Forest. 59 of the fires have been declared out.

Ellis (October 22): is approximately 10 miles north of Challis on the Challis-Yankee Fork Ranger District. The fire 0.10 acre fire burning in grass, spruce, and fir is out.

Nugget (September 13): is located approximately 40 miles west of Salmon on the North Fork Ranger District in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. The 1,001 acre fire is burning in fir. The fire can be found on InciWeb at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-nugget-fire>.

Garden (September 8): is located approximately two (2) miles southwest of the confluence of Panther Creek and the Main Salmon River on the North Fork Ranger District in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. The fire is 100% complete and is no longer being updated daily. Currently, the fires is being managed by a Complex Incident Management Team.

Vanity (September 3): is located approximately 42 miles west of Challis on the Middle Fork Ranger District. The approximately 600 acre fire is burning in subalpine fir is out.

Red Rock (September 2): is located approximately two (2) miles east of Yellowjacket Guard Station on the Salmon-Cobalt Ranger District. A Complex Incident Management Team is managing the fire, and information is being reported separately. The fire can be found on InciWeb at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-red-rock-fire>.

Reynolds (August 22): is located approximately 21 miles northwest of Indianola on the Idaho/Montana border. Fire is estimated to be approximately 2,671 acres burning in spruce and fir. The Bitterroot National Forest is lead on this fire.

Birch (August 17): is located on the west side of the Middle Fork of the Salmon River on Norton Ridge on the Middle Fork Ranger District in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. The 23,043 acre fire is burning in subalpine fir. The fire can be found on InciWeb at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-birch-fire>.

Greyhound (August 11): is located approximately 46 miles northwest of Challis on the Middle Fork Ranger District. The 97 acre fire is burning in subalpine fir and lodgepole pine is out.

Wapiti (July 24): started on the Boise National Forest, burned onto the Sawtooth National, and around August 24th burned onto the Salmon-Challis National Forest. Information can be found on InciWeb at <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idbof-wapiti-fire>.

Thunder (July 24): The lightning fire located approximately 12 miles southwest of Salmon. The 2,474 acre fire burning in timber, sagebrush, and grass is out.

Weather: Seasonably cool and unsettled weather will return for much of this upcoming week as a series of Pacific systems work through the northern Rockies. One system today into Tuesday and another Thursday through Saturday will support isolated to scattered rain and snow showers with high temperatures each day this week in the 30s/40s.

The forest is asking visitors to be aware of the **HIGH** fire danger for the Salmon-Challis National Forest. Ensure your campfire is dead out. If it is too hot to touch, it is too hot to leave! One Less Spark Means One Less Wildfire. Since June 1, Forest employees have found and extinguished at least 17 abandoned campfires.

Nationally, there are 11 uncontained large fires being managed under a full suppression strategy and 2 large fires managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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