



Great Basin Incident Management Team

TEAM 7 – CHRIS DELANEY – INCIDENT COMMANDER



Daily Update: October 25, 2024

Red Rock Fire

Acres: 79,260
Completion: 62%
Personnel: 369

Start Date: September 2, 2024
Cause: Lightning
Location: 15 miles west of Salmon, ID

Operations:

Due to weather on Wednesday night, crews were unable to access the north and east sides of the fire. A grader was able to clear the snow on the Ridge Road to William's Creek Summit allowing it to dry out. Today, with improved road conditions and better weather, crews can continue backhauling pumps and hoses used for suppression, mop-up, and point protection of values. Excavators will be assisting other equipment in making repairs around the Ridge Road. Additional dozer line repairs are ongoing in the Yellowjacket area. Road graders are also addressing the impacts of increased travel and heavy equipment along Morgan/Panther Creek Road through the fire's center.

Garden Fire

Acres: 13,036
Completion: 25%
Personnel: 1

Start Date: September 8, 2024
Cause: Lightning
Location: 25 miles northwest of Salmon, ID

Operations:

Air resources will remove the remaining RAWS (Remote Automated Weather Station) and communication equipment from the Garden Fire area. This will be the final daily update for the Garden Fire unless there are significant changes.

Additional Information

Featured Information:

Weather changes have significantly reduced fire activity, prompting a shift in suppression strategy for the Red Rock and Garden Fires to a mix of containment and confinement tactics. This approach involves actions both directly adjacent to the fire perimeter and further away, including full suppression, confinement to predetermined natural barriers, and the protection of values such as private property and infrastructure. This combination of tactics enables fire managers to effectively address the 321 miles of fire perimeter for the Red Rock and Garden Fires.

Containment means that control lines have been constructed around the fire, and once completed, they are expected to effectively stop its spread. Confinement utilizes natural geographic features—such as rock bands, ridges, burn scars, or changes in fuel types—that are anticipated to contain any fire growth. Both strategies are represented as percentages, which, when combined, will indicate overall “completion.” Moving forward, the Red Rock and Garden Fires will be reported as a percentage of completion. The priority remains on protecting values and ensuring the safety of both firefighters and the public.

Weather: Today will be warm and sunny before a cold front arrives this weekend, bringing gusty winds of up to 25 mph at ridgetops, dropping temperatures below freezing, and bringing snow to higher elevations. High humidity will help keep fire activity to a minimum.

Closures: The Red Rock Closure Order, Number: 04-13-24-027 remains in effect. For more info: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/scnf/alerts-notices>. Please adhere to closure orders, this remains an active fire area. It is important for both the safety of the public and the firefighters working in the area. Barricade closures will be posted at road intersections and forest boundaries. In coordination with the Lemhi County Sheriff's Office and the Salmon-Challis National Forest, residents of Yellowjacket and Panther Creek can use the road to access their property, checking in with the road guard.

Evacuations: All evacuation zones for the Red Rock and Garden Fires have been lifted.

Phone Number: (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.) 208-389-4709

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idsf-red-rock-fire>
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Links to further information can be found at the QR code or <https://www.fs.usda.gov/scnf/>

