Salmon-Challis National Forest

Wildfire Fact Sheet

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GARDEN FIRE CLOSURE OCTOBER 8, 2024

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

Firefighter and public safety is the number one priority for the Garden Fire. The Salmon-Challis National Forest is expanding the closure area associated with the Garden Fire to an area north of the Salmon River for public safety. Due to current fire behavior and predicted winds of 18-23 mph with gusts to 30-35 mph, with a 0% chance of wetting rain in the next seven (7) days, the Garden Fire has the potential to spot across the Salmon River to the north. If the fire spots across the river, with current fuel conditions and predicted winds, the fire has a potential to make a large run.

Therefore, the Salmon-Challis National Forest has implemented an additional Garden Fire Closure, Order Number: 04-13-24-025.

Description of #04-13-24-025:

DESCRIBED AREA, ROADS AND TRAILS:

Beginning at the junction of Salmon River Road 030 and Spring Creek Road 038 and following Spring Creek Road 038 to its junction with Colson Creek-State Line Road 123, then following Colson Creek-State Line Road 123 to its junction with Long Tom Road 166, the following Long Tom Road 166 to Long Tom Lookout, then following the ridgeline south to Long Tom Picnic Area, then following the Salmon River Road 030 back to its junction with Spring Creek Road 038.

Corn Lake Road 064, East Fork of Spring Creek Road 042, and Cadagan area are also closed.

The purpose of this order is to protect public health and safety from the effects of the Garden Fire.

This Order shall be in effect from October 9, 2024, at 8:00 am until October 31, 2024, or until rescinded.

The Salmon-Challis will reevaluate the closure as soon as the weather system has passed. The closure could be adjusted depending on future fire growth.

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