

## **Middle Fork Complex Fire Update**



## October 10, 2024

Middle Fork Complex Fire Information: 208-992-3045 (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.) Email: 2024.middleforkcomplex@firenet.gov

Middle Fork Complex: 61,495 acres, 90% completed, 137 personnel

**Snag Fire**: 33,437 acres, 90% completed, 24 personnel **Goat Fire**: 34,595 acres, 23% completion, 255 personnel

**Weather:** Temperatures today are expected to be five degrees cooler than yesterday with less wind and much more cloud cover. The forecast is showing a continued cooling trend for Thursday and Friday with temperatures in the low to mid-60s and humidity in the 30% to 40% range. In addition, the models are showing reduced fire behavior. All of this is a big change in the weather pattern in a positive direction.

**Goat Fire:** Given the modest winds yesterday, there was no movement on the northeast section of the Goat Fire. Firefighters are continuing to work in the area near the Yellow Jacket Trail. Crews are putting in contingency and control lines to make sure the fire does not impact the residents in the Warm Lake area and will remain in the area watching for activity late into the night.

On the southeast flank of the Goat Fire, approximately 90% of the burn operations were completed yesterday. The objective was to keep the fire contained between the Silver Creek drainage and the Middle Fork Road. There is still a small section on the west side of Silver Creek that firefighters are working on finishing today. Firefighters will resume work in this area today working to complete the burnout operation and begin mop up of hot spots.

**Snag Fire:** The Snag Fire saw no significant activity in the past couple days. Given the rugged terrain, crews are hiking the perimeter to ensure the containment lines are holding.

**Middle Fork Complex:** Fire behavior on the Nellie and Bulldog is limited to creeping and smoldering with no expected growth. Fire crews will continue to patrol and monitor fire lines and mop-up as necessary as well as continue suppression repair. There is a small patch of intense heat on Nellie, southeast of Scott Mountain that had minimal growth. There is no intense or scattered heat on Bulldog near the perimeter. There is potential for some areas that still hold heat to become more active with surface fire and isolated torching.

Notice: General deer hunting season starts today. Please be aware of additional fire traffic in the area.

**Closures**: The Boise National Forest has issued a revised Area, Road, and Trail Closure Order for the Middle Fork Complex, and Snag and Goat fires. The newly revised closure order and map can be found at the following link: <a href="https://www.fusda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notices">https://www.fusda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notices</a>.

Please check the Valley County Idaho Facebook page for any updates on evacuation readiness level changes. Residents are encouraged to sign up for Code Red Emergency Alerts to stay informed. For any questions or updates on evacuation readiness, please contact the Valley County Dispatch Center at 208-382-5160. Currently, Warm Lake Road remains open for travel without restrictions.

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Goat Fire https://bit.ly/3XCbtsC



Snag Fire https://bit.ly/4gI5f39

