



Red Rock and Black Eagle Fires Incident Update Date: October 3, 2024



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Fire Information: 208 389 4709

Hours: 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

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Website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/scnf/>

Incident Websites:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-black-eagle-fire>

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idscf-red-rock-fire>



FIRE ACTIVITY:

The Red Rock Fire is at 3,615 acres and 78% containment.

Over the last few days the Red Rock Fire added about 250 acres, primarily on the northeast side of the fire in the Fourth of July Creek area. Firefighters are conducting burnout operations there to bring the fire safely down to the creek. Poor overnight humidity recovery and westerly winds gusting over 20 mph allowed for alignment of fuels in east-west drainages in the interior of the fire as well. On the north, south, and west sides of the fire, where containment has been established, crews are monitoring fire activity and beginning suppression repair work.

The Black Eagle Fire is at 7,935 acres and 16% containment.

The Black Eagle Fire added about 500 acres over the last few days, primarily in designated wilderness on the north side of the fire. The west to east drainages remain in alignment with westerly winds and activity was observed in Blackeagle Creek as well as the drainages above Yellowjacket Creek. Use of aircraft was needed to maintain control features.

WEATHER:

Weak high pressure over the fire area will bring light southwesterly winds and cooler temperatures today. Due to the cooler morning temperatures, the morning humidity recovery will be higher than the past few evenings, but the afternoon humidity will again dip into the lower teens. Today's forecast high for the fire area is 60 with southwest winds only reaching about seven mph with gusts to 16 mph. A more powerful system will move into the Pacific Northwest Friday, bringing strong winds but continued dry conditions.

FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Nearly all fuels are available across both fires, though heavy dead and down fuels remain most problematic for firefighters. Areas where humidities fall below 25% with gusty afternoon winds can experience increased activity, including short-range spotting. Opportunities to attack the fire directly will likely be confined to morning hours and when effective water support is available.

FOREST CLOSURES: For forest closure information please go to: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/scnf/alerts-notices>

EVACUATIONS: For evacuation information in Lemhi County regarding these fires please go to: [Emergency Management Department | Lemhi County, ID \(lemhicountyidaho.org\)](https://www.lemhicountyidaho.org/emergency-management).