



# Southwest Area Incident Management Team

TEAM 3 – KEN WATKINS – INCIDENT COMMANDER



**Crews secure, hold, and patrol**  
**Daily Update: October 14, 2024**

## Red Rock Fire

**Acres:** 73,643

**Location:** 15 Miles west of Salmon, ID

**Start Date:** September 2, 2024

**Personnel:** 564

**Cause:** Lightning

**Containment:** 19%

**Operations:** Yesterday crews made progress building handline south of the cobalt mine and removed vegetation along Blackbird Road (FR 115) and Deep Creek Road (FR 101) to be used as alternate containment line if needed. Unmanned aircraft assisted with interior ignitions to clean up pockets of unburned fuel and crews did ignitions off the Yellowjacket Road (FR 112) to keep the fire from progressing any further south. Dozers constructed line from Ridge Road (FR 020) to Moyer Peak with plans to continue until it connects to FR 103 in Moyer Creek. Containment line was connected around the entire spot fire near Napias Creek.

Today, preparing Blackbird Road and Deep Cr Road will continue with crews removing vegetation along the road. Dozer line construction will also continue on Moyer Peak. Along the Ridge Road (FR 020) crews are ready to start ignitions if needed to prevent fire spread to the east but will assess the need throughout the day. On the spot fire near Napias Creek, crews will remove snags and continue to secure the containment line.

## Garden Fire

**Acres:** 10,302

**Location:** 25 Miles northwest of Salmon, ID

**Start Date:** September 8, 2024

**Personnel:** 62

**Cause:** Lightning

**Containment:** 0%

**Operations:** Yesterday fire behavior was minimal. Crews continued to patrol and mop up the perimeter in Panther Creek and the Salmon River corridor. Crews are methodically checking for heat sources. Today, monitoring these areas will continue and any hot spots identified will be extinguished.

## Additional Information

**Weather:** There will be little change in the temperature and humidity Monday and Tuesday compared to yesterday, but winds are predicted to shift to the southwest sustained at 3-7 with gusts to 12 mph along the ridgetops and through the Clear Creek drainage.

**Smoke:** For smoke information, please go to: <https://www.airnow.gov/education/what-you-can-do/>, or <https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/ded7837a>

### Closures:

Salmon-Challis National Forest has implemented a reduced Red Rock and Garden Fires Closure, Order Number: 04-13-24-024. Please refer to the link below to see further information regarding the closure reduction.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/scnf/alerts-notice>

**Safety:** A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is in place over the Red Rock and Garden fire areas, which includes uncrewed aircraft systems or drones. Reminder that if you fly we can't, unauthorized drone flights pose serious risks to firefighter and public safety and the effectiveness of wildfire suppression operations.

**Please stay out of the fire area.** There is still active fire behavior in the fire area, including group torching and crown runs. There are multiple roads and bridges that have been destroyed or are impassable. Entry into evacuation zones that are in "Go" status is prohibited. The updated forest closure notice that encompasses both the Red Rock Fire and Garden Fire areas includes multiple road and area closures. Barricade closures will be posted at road intersections and forest boundaries.

**Evacuations:** For evacuation information in Lemhi County regarding both the Red Rock and Garden fires please go to: <https://www.lemhicountyidaho.org/emergency-management-department>.

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

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

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Links to further information can be found at the QR code or <https://www.fs.usda.gov/scnf/>

