



2024 Valley Fire

FINAL UPDATE

Monday, October 21, 2024

<p>Valley Fire Details Location: 1 mile east of Boise, Idaho Reported: October 4, 2024 Acres: 9,904 Containment: 95% Personnel: 119 Fuels: Timber, brush and short grass</p>	<p>Incident Information Contact: Robbie Johnson Cell: 208-908-1786 Email: rjohnson@idl.idaho.gov Incident Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/IdahoDepartmentofLands InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idids-2024-valley-fire</p>
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Incident Activity: Repairs to containment line built by dozers and firefighters to prevent the Valley Fire from reaching homes and communities is complete. Heavy equipment operators and firefighters restored 33 miles of dozer and handline, returning it to a more natural state ready for regrowth. Erosion control was built into the repairs and seeding of those lines by fire crews is finished. The seed was carefully selected for the Boise Foothills landscape.

Video of Valley Fire Start to Finish: Video includes the Valley Fire in the early hours, how close the fire got to the Adelman Mine structure, views of fire damage from the air, a scattered herd of sheep in the fire area moved to a safe location and interviews with firefighters. Use the QR code to view and download.

Incident Management: Nevada Team 2, a Type 3 Incident Management Team has managed the Valley Fire since October 8. Nevada Team 2 work is complete. The Idaho Department of Lands is keeping a Type 4 team to wrap up work on the Valley Fire. Nevada Team 2 thanks the Idaho Department of Lands, the Bureau of Land Management, Boise District, the Boise National Forest, the Boise Fire Department and other local agencies that assisted with initial firefighting efforts. Appreciation goes to those agencies and others, as well as communities and stakeholders, who continued to support the containment of the Valley Fire, the suppression repair work, and helped share incident information. Nevada Team 2 also wants to thank the many resources and people who made success possible, including heavy equipment operators, aerial resources and especially the firefighters who demonstrated excellent work throughout the Valley Fire incident.

Recreation, Trails, Closures and Use of Fire-Impacted Areas: The hard work done to repair containment line can easily be undone by hiking, biking, and motorized travel. The public is asked to avoid disturbing these areas so seed can grow and the Boise Foothills can recover from fire damage. The Boise River Wildlife Management Area and associated trails are closed until further notice. Please honor closures that are still in place to protect sensitive soils and allow for ongoing landscape restoration efforts that extend beyond the duties of Valley Fire operations.

Valley Fire Overview: The fire was reported Friday, October 4, 2024, about 1 mile east of Boise on the north side of Idaho State Highway 21. The fire was very visible from East Boise as it burned in mostly grassy fuels in the Boise Foothills. Quick work on initial attack stopped the fire from reaching nearby homes. The current fire cost estimate is \$5.2 million.