



Moose Fire

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest/ Fire Information: 406-468-1914

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Friday, August 28, 2026

Incident Commander: Brent Olson, Northern Rockies Complex Incident Commander Team 1

Location: 24 miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT

Start Date: July 26, 2026

Cause: Lightning/Natural

Size: 5,965 acres

Containment: 10%

Resources: 107 Total Personnel

HIGHLIGHTS: Fire activity continues to be influenced by recent weather patterns, with heat observed on multiple parts of the Moose Fire. Crews remain prepared to respond to any increase in fire behavior and continue work on fuels reduction and structure protection efforts within the incident area.

CURRENT STATUS/ACTIONS:

On the north perimeter of the Moose Fire, heat was detected in the vicinity of Fish Lake and Little Fish Lakes. Crews will continue to closely monitor these areas for any future spread. Fire behavior is still being observed around Moose Mountain and the North Fork of Rock Creek.

Firefighters are making continued progress on the indirect control line extending toward Mount Emerine. Crews are also reinforcing and connecting the 2009 Table Mountain Fire footprint with the 2017 Meyer Fire burn area, using direct attack where conditions allow.

On the south perimeter, crews utilized unmanned aerial systems (UAS) to systematically survey the area and identify any remaining hot spots that require attention. Additionally, personnel checked on existing structure protection measures in the Frog Pond area, confirming that systems remain in place and effective.

WEATHER AND FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Warming and drying conditions will bring elevated fire weather concerns today. High temperatures will average 70 degrees. Winds will be from the southwest at 12 mph, with gusts up to 26 mph. Fire activity has started to slowly pick up. Backing and flanking were observed on the north and northwest flanks of the fire.

CLOSURES AND EVACUATIONS:

The RED EVACUATION ORDER for Frog Pond Basin remains in effect. The [Granite County Sheriff's Office](#) advises residents and visitors to stay clear of the area.

The Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest has issued road closures for Forest Service Rd 5121 (Kaiser Lake), Frog Pond Rd #80, Forest Service Rd #5107 (Green Canyon), Forest Service Rd #70 (Ross Fork), Forest Service Road #5060 (Beaver Creek). The Forest has also issued trail closures along the South Fork of Rock Creek, including portions of Trail #8019 (Ross Fork Trail) and Trail #8020 (Whetstone Ridge Trail), along with the entirety of Trail #8162 (South Fork Trail) and Trail #313.

A Temporary Flight Restriction is in place. Firefighting and reconnaissance aircraft are operating in the area. When drones are flown within the TFR, fire aviation resources are grounded. *If you fly, we can't fly!*

