

Hawk Fire Info Phone Number: 775-224-6988 (8a - 8p)

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Incident Update: Hawk Fire

Acres: 15,051

Containment: 0%

Total Personnel: 720

Total Resources: 14 crews | 95 engines | 10 helicopters | 9 dozers

Start Dates: August 22, 2026

Causes: Human

Fuels: Tall grass, brush and timber

Location: Northwest of Reno, Nevada

Summary: Firefighters made progress holding the fire despite the extreme fire behavior observed during the incident. Crews are working to keep the fire east of Dog Valley Road and south of U.S. Highway 395. On portions of the fire, crews are using handline and direct attack where conditions allow. Fire behavior was less extreme than anticipated in some areas, allowing crews to hold established lines and reposition resources to reinforce suppression efforts. Crews also successfully held line through areas of heavy timber, supported by extensive retardant use.

On the west side of the fire, firefighters are working to keep the fire out of Dog Valley and in flatter terrain. Crews working near the Somerset side of the fire constructed handline with support from helicopters. Firefighters are also working around a natural gas line within the fire area. Mountainous terrain, continuous fuels and dry conditions continue to challenge suppression efforts.

Fire Outlook and Weather: Over the next 12 hours, the fire is expected to continue making moderate- to high-intensity runs in pockets of dense fuels. Over the next 24 hours, backing fire with periods of running fire behavior is possible where fuels, wind and topography align. Hot, dry and breezy conditions are expected to continue supporting active fire behavior over the next 48 hours. The fire has potential to spread northeast and northwest, and conditions remain dynamic and subject to rapid change. Critically dry fuels persist across the fire area. Elevated temperatures and seasonal afternoon southwest winds are expected to continue influencing fire behavior.

Area, road and trail closures are in effect, including a closure of U.S. Highway 395 and a Forest area closure. Roads will open as conditions allow. Travelers and residents should check current road and evacuation information before entering the affected area.

Evacuations and Closures: Evacuations remain in effect. Updates for evacuations and closures for the Hawk Fire can be found at [Perimeter Map](#). Residents in affected areas should continue to follow evacuation information and direction from local authorities.

Safety: Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs) are in place, please remember if you fly drones during a fire, we can't safely operate air support which hinder suppression efforts and emergency response, this puts the crews and public at risk. **"If you fly, we can't!"** If you or a loved one is sensitive to smoke, stay indoors when possible until air quality improves. Monitor current air quality through the [AirNow.gov](#)