



Salmon-Challis National Forest

Wildfire Fact Sheet

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FIRE SUMMARY JULY 18, 2022

The Central Idaho Dispatch Zone is at **HIGH** Fire Danger

RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FOR THE AREA FROM 1 PM TO 9 PM THIS EVENING

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Moose (July 17): The fire is being updated separately and can be found on Inciweb at <https://inciweb.nwccg.gov/incident/8249/>.

Woodtick (2 fires) (July 14): The lightning fires are located approximately six (6) miles west northwest of the Meyers Cove in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness on the Middle Fork Ranger District. The fires total 25 acres and are burning in lodgepole pine and fir. Aircraft continues to drop water on the fire as weather allows. Two (2) Type I crews and two (2) Type I helicopters are assigned to the fire.

Wolf Fang Fire (July 13): The lightning fire is located approximately four (4) miles northeast of the confluence of Big Creek and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness on the North Fork Ranger District. The 75 acre fire burning in spruce and fir is located in steep, rugged terrain. Risk to responders and public safety are the top priorities for the Wolf Fang Fire. Due to the inaccessibility of the terrain and snag hazards, we are monitoring this fire utilizing the Middle Fork Peak lookout and aviation daily.

Banner Fire (July 3): The 15 acre human caused fire located approximately three (3) miles north of Banner Summit on Highway 21 was called controlled on July 10. Resources continue to patrol the fire.

To date, there have been 14 wildfires reported on the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

Weather: RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FOR THE AREA FROM 1 PM TO 9 PM THIS EVENING. Dry air is moving into the area this morning along with very strong winds. This afternoon expect west winds 20 to 35 mph with gust of 40 to 50 mph. Locally higher gusts over 50 mph are possible, especially along peaks and ridgelines. Winds are expected to taper down near sunset. Dry conditions will last the rest of the week, but winds will not be as strong as today.

The forest is asking visitors to be aware of the **HIGH** fire danger for the Salmon-Challis National Forest. Ensure your campfire is dead out. If it is too hot to touch, it is too hot to leave! One Less Spark Means One Less Wildfire.

Nationally, there are 17 uncontained large fires being managed under a full suppression strategy and 108 large fires managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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