Salmon-Challis National Forest

Wildfire Fact Sheet

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FIRE SUMMARY JULY 24, 2023

The Central Idaho Dispatch Zone is at HIGH Fire Danger

Salmon, Idaho- July 24, 2023- The Salmon-Challis National Forest has detected two (2) new fires since the last summary.

Twin Fire (July 21): located approximately 8 miles northwest of Gibbonsville on the North Fork Ranger District, the fire was estimated at 1/10 of an acre. The fire, burning in a single tree was called out on July 22.

Hayden Fire (July 19): located approximately 18 miles west of Leadore on the Leadore Ranger District. The fire is being updated separately and information can be found at https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident-information/idscf-hayden-fire.

Warm Spring Fire (June 27): located approximately three (3) miles southwest of Middle Fork Peak Lookout across the Middle Fork of the Salmon River from the Flying B Ranch, on the North Fork Ranger District in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. The fire is burning in a dead and down log (0.1 acres) was called out on July 18.

Virginia Fire (June 12): located approximately 13 miles west of North Fork on the North Fork Ranger District. This fire is a smoldering snag located within the footprint of the 2022 Moose Fire was called out on July 18.

To date, there have been seven (7) wildfires detected on the Salmon-Challis National Forest. Six (6) of these fires have been declared out.

Weather: Windy conditions will persist all week across the central mountains, with the strongest winds Tuesday and Wednesday. A mix of wet and dry storms will be possible again today, along with gusts over 45 mph with thunderstorms. Very low thunderstorm chances will return for the middle and end of the upcoming week.

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 26 uncontained large fires being managed under a full suppression strategy and 12 large fires managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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