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~~Public and firefighter safety is the highest priority in fighting all wildland fires.~~

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### **Muleshoe Fire**

Firefighters responded to a fire near the Muleshoe Mine about two miles south west of Clayton September 21. The fire was controlled at 1/10 acre the next day.

### **Border Complex**

Some fire activity is still being reported on the Border Complex, a combination of three fires, burning in the headwaters of the Selway River on the Bitterroot National Forest, and the headwaters of Horse Creek on the Salmon-Challis National Forest. The combined acreage of these fires is 7,137 acres with the following acreages Woodhump/Cayuse Fires 6907 acres, and Roan

Fire 230 acres. The fires are being managed for resource benefits and are being closely monitored.

The closures have been lifted from Forest trails in Cayuse Creek, Filly Creek, and Roan Creek and along the Selway/Horse Creek Divide. There are still many hazards in the fire area and visitors should use caution.

### **Fire Prevention**

The low fire activity this year is primarily due to the low number of lightning caused fires – only 30 fire starts located. However, 15 fires have been caused by human carelessness and could have been prevented.

The forests are still very dry and only need a spark or flame to ignite. During hunting season “Remember Only You Can Prevent Wildfires.”

- Don't leave campfires unattended
- Make sure campfires are completely extinguished before leaving
- Be careful with matches and smoking materials
- Don't drive or park vehicles on tall, dry grass or brush
- All off highway vehicles must have approved spark arrestors and those spark arrestors must be cleaned.
- Carry a shovel and fire extinguisher in your vehicle

