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**JULY 3 FIRE UPDATE**

**Salmon, Idaho:** Several thunder storms passed over the Salmon-Challis National Forest (SCF) Friday afternoon and as a result several fires have been reported.

**3 Mile Fire:**

Location: East of Anderson Mountain and north of Dahlenega Creek.

Staffing: Eight (8) firefighters, eight (8) smokejumpers, two 20 person crews, an air attack, and two (2) lookouts. The fire is receiving support from two Type I Helicopters. Access to this fire is limited.

Fire size: 15 acres with a subalpine fir with many dead and down trees.

There are road and trail closures associated with the 3 Mile Fire. Click here for information:

<http://bit.ly/29cEKB2>

**Golden Trout:**

Location: Southwest of Golden Trout Lake, within and outside of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

Staffing: 24 smokejumpers and one Type I crew. Two additional crews are arriving today and will be assigned to the fire, along with a Type I Helicopter. Access to this fire is limited.

Fire size: 30 acres with a subalpine fir fuels with a heavy dead and down component.

There are road and trail closures associated with the Golden Trout Fire. Click here for information:

<http://bit.ly/29f0Gxm>

**Lost Packer:**

Location: Fire report in area of Lost Packer Peak. Fire managers have been unable to locate the fire at this time. Long Tom Lookout has a view of this area and will report if further smoke is located.

**Rattlesnake:**

Location: East of the Middle Fork of the Salmon River (river right), north of Rattlesnake Creek and south of Woolard Creek in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

Fire size: 15-20 acres with scattered fuels.

Fire is burning mid-slope and current activity is smoking and smoldering. Fire is lightning caused, and will continue to be permitted to play, as nearly as possible, its natural ecological role in the wilderness.

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Mahoney:

Location: Approximately 1½ miles north of Mahoney Airstrip in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. This fire was not detected on July 2 and the area will continue to be monitored.

In addition to the fires above there were two new fires yesterday. The Millick Gulch and Geertson fires which were contained at one tenth of an acre.

Currently, there are multiple crews, helicopters, and associated support staff in the community of Salmon. These resources are supporting the 3 Mile, Golden Trout fires, and any new fires the Forest may get. You may see these resources at your local stores, hotels, and restaurants.

Safety first - fireworks are prohibited on all national forests year-round. No fireworks of any kind may be discharged anywhere within the Salmon-Challis National Forest, regardless of weather conditions or holidays. Salmon-Challis National Forest fire danger is HIGH. Make sure your campfire is dead out. If it's too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave. Don't forget to Pack it in, Pack it out. It is your responsibility to pack out everything that you packed in, including any trash.

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