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**Salmon-Challis National Forest Fire Update September 04, 2014**

**Salmon, Idaho –Fire Update**

**Warm Spring Fire:**

**DATE OF DETECTION:** August 30, 2014

**CAUSE:** Lightning

**CURRENT SIZE:** 1/10 acre

**LOCATION:** – The fire is burning in the vicinity of Warm Spring Creek approximately two (2) miles east of Highway 93 near Elk Bend, on the Salmon-Cobalt Ranger District

**AGENCY:** U.S. Forest Service –Salmon-Challis National Forest

The Warm Spring Fire is being managed under a monitor strategy. The fire is currently burning in scattered Douglas fir amongst rock outcroppings and cliff lines. Terrain in the fire area is very steep and inaccessible. Firefighter and public safety is top highest priority for the Warm Spring Fire. Due to the extremely steep, rugged, and inaccessible terrain in the fire area, it currently isn't safe to staff the fire with firefighters. A type II helicopter is being utilized to cool hot spots on the fire as needed.

Smoke and fire may be visible from Highway 93. Salmon-Challis National Forest Fire Managers expect the fire to continue to burn throughout the month of September or until a significant weather event occurs.

Forest visitors should use caution if traveling near the Warm Spring creek area. Areas within and adjacent to a fire are part of a rapidly changing environment. Hazards in the fire area can include rolling rocks and debris, falling trees, and dense smoke.

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