



Island Creek Fire

Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests

Fire Information 208-935-6134

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/idncf-island-creek>

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Location: The Island Creek fire is located 14 air miles north of Elk City, ID near Sob Point on the Moose Creek Ranger District.

Start Date: July 31, 2025 **Cause:** Lightning **Size:** 10,743 acres **Total Personnel:** 126

KEY MESSAGE:

The Selway River Road closure order above O'Hara remains in place for firefighter and public safety. Incident personnel continue reducing fuels and protecting structures and bridges in the Selway River Corridor. A heavy equipment task force will continue removing fuels on the 464 and 443 road systems near Elk City today. The public is urged to respect road closures where heavy machinery and firefighters are active.

CURRENT STATUS:

In the Selway River Corridor crews planned for a backburn on the south side of the river yesterday. This operation will reduce available fuels and reduce the likelihood of the fire crossing the river. Fuel break construction continued on the 443 and 464 road systems near Elk City.

WEATHER AND FIRE BEHAVIOR:

Fire behavior and smoke moderated yesterday. Today, high temperatures will persist during the day and humidity will increase. Possible showers and thunderstorms are forecasted tonight through Thursday. They may produce wetting rain and wind gusts. The thunderstorms will be slow moving and heavy at times with a potential for debris flows near burn scars.

CLOSURES AND SPECIAL MESSAGES:

An expanded closure order bounded by Indian Hill Trail, NSR 290, Meadow Creek Trail, Five Mile Contour Trail, Dent Point Trail, Divide Traill, Dent Point Trail, and NFSR 443, NFSR 464, NFSR 651, and NFSR 223 was issued on 8/23. More info on this closure can be found at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r01/nezperce-clearwater/alerts/island-creek-fire-closure-order>

