



# Island Creek Fire

Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests

Fire Information 208-295-2370

<https://linktr.ee/IslandCreek.2025>



**September 2, 2025**

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**Scott Schuster, Incident Commander**

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

**Start Date:** July 31, 2025    **Cause:** Lightning    **Size:** 13,931 Acres

**Containment:** 5%    **Total Personnel:** 286

## **KEY MESSAGE:**

The fire activity is primarily in the fire footprint left by the Wash Fire in 2015. An increase in wildfire smoke is expected, due to hotter and drier weather today and the rest of the week. Air resources continue to be utilized to support the incident. An expanded closure order went into effect Friday, August 29, 2025, as described under closures and special messages below. Mail and package delivery services will continue for residents.

## **CURRENT STATUS:**

Yesterday, fire personnel completed a handline on the portion of the fire near the Gedney Creek and Selway River confluence to prevent further fire spread to the west. They will continue to secure the area today. Structure protection resources will be continuing to perform structure assessments along the Selway River corridor. A night shift presence is anticipated to remain on the fire for the next few nights. Crews and heavy equipment continue to make good progress on the shaded fuel breaks along the 464 and 443 roads. Crews continue to implement structure protection measures, fuels reduction work, and dozer line around Stillman Camp. Fire personnel will scout and assess additional locations for control lines and structure protection.

## **WEATHER AND FIRE BEHAVIOR**

A heat advisory continues today until 10:00pm. There will be a warming and drying trend over the fire area for the next several days. With the continued hot and dry weather, fire officials anticipate more smoke production, but minimal fire growth. Temperatures will begin to cool slightly starting Friday with chances of moisture expected over the weekend.

## **CLOSURES AND SPECIAL MESSAGES:**

As hunters and recreationalists visit the Forest for fall hunting seasons and other activities, they should be aware of the expanded closure order. It includes parts of the forest bounded by the Coolwater Road, the Falls Point and American River Road, NFSR 464, NFSR 1129, NFSR 1119, NFSR 223, the Eagle Mountain Trail (#206), the Coves Lake Trail (#3), the Big Rock Trail (#693), the Three Links Trail (#495), the Mink Peak Trail (#438), and the High Line Ridge Trail (#626). For a map and more details on the closure follow this link: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/sites/nfs/files/r01/nezperce-clearwater/publication/alerts/01-17-06-25-004%20Island%20Fire%20Area%20Road%20Trail.pdf>

