



Type 3 Management Organization

INCIDENT COMMANDER: Jay Wood

September 21, 2022



Trail Ridge Fire

Fire Summary

Approx. 5 miles SE Sula, MT

Approx. 11 miles NW of Big Hole National Battlefield

Size: 17,157 acres **Completion:** 50%

Personnel: 140

CURRENT STATUS

Yesterday's fire activity was mainly on the north flank of the fire in the 4B Drainage but poses minimal concern. Spread is expected to slow down with the upcoming weather. The fire perimeter is still within the indirect containment lines and crews are monitoring fire behavior in this area, as well as continuing suppression repair efforts.

Crews are close to concluding chipping operations along the Mink and Meadow Creek roads near the 2017 Myers Fire Burn Area. On Forest Service Road 106 crews continue to monitor fire progression and minimize the potential for fire impact. Slash hauling will continue down the Meadow Creek Road.

FIRE WEATHER AND BEHAVIOR

East winds will be present near the fire on Wednesday, as wetting rains arrive from the south late in the afternoon. There will also be a brief window of thunderstorm chances Wednesday afternoon and evening. High chances of wetting rain Wednesday night through Thursday. Winds will shift to the southwest and become gusty on Thursday afternoon, with thunderstorms chances returning briefly. Daytime humidity will increase significantly from Wednesday to Thursday.

TRAIL RIDGE CLOSURES AND SPECIAL MESSAGES

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

- See the Fire Area Closure Order Map for Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

Bitterroot National Forest

- See the Fire Area Closure Order Map for the Bitterroot National Forest
- **Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are *no longer* in effect on all Bitterroot National Forest Lands**

Specific closure information can be found at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8365>

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