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Information Update

September 19, 2017

Fire origin: July 15, 2017, ten miles southwest of Lolo, MT.

Fire Information: (406) 272-5433 Hours: 7am – 9pm

Email: LoloPeakFire@gmail.com

Websites: Inciweb: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5375>

Missoula County Sheriff: <http://tinyurl.com/ya93jpuf>

Ravalli County: <http://ravalli.us/557/Fire-Incident-Information>

Facebook: Bitterroot National Forest Facebook Page

Lolo National Forest Facebook Page

Weather: Mostly cloudy. Chance of rain and snow showers. Highs in the 50s. Relative humidity around 70%. Minimal fire behavior is expected.

Closures: Numerous road, trail, and area closures are in effect for portions of the Bitterroot, Lolo and Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. Specific area closure information is available on those forest websites and Inciweb.

Evacuations and Warnings: No evacuation orders or alerts are currently in place. The Ravalli County Sheriff rescinded the remaining evacuation warnings for the Lolo Peak Fire.

HIGHWAYS ARE OPEN - 45 mph speed limit on highway 12 from Elk Meadows Road to Woodman School.

Yesterday's Actions: Precipitation fell over the entire fire area with light snow falling in the higher elevations, resulting in minimal fire behavior. Crews performed mop up and patrols along the west side of the fire in Brushy Creek and along FSR 373. Suppression repair operations continue in earnest, including seeding of disturbed areas along Highway 12, as well as road grading and repair of dozer lines in the old ski area south of Lolo. Hand crews worked to mop up and secure hand line in the Larry Creek drainage. Mike Almas' Northern Rockies Team arrived and assumed command of the fire at 6:00 pm.

Today's Plan: Reduced fire behavior is again expected with snow and rain in the forecast. Crews will continue patrols of existing containment lines, as well as assessing suppression repair needs around the fire. As conditions allow, firefighters hope to continue mop up and patrol of containment lines in the Larry Creek Drainage.

Fire Information Locations: A staffed fire information trailer and bulletin board is located at Super One Foods in Stevensville. The Florence information center has closed. Fire information is also available at the weigh station in Lolo at the corner of

Highways 12 and 93.

Jurisdiction: The fire is under the jurisdiction of the Lolo and Bitterroot National Forests and the Montana Department of Natural Resources (MTDNRC). Mike Almas' Northern Rockies Incident Management Team is managing the fire.

Cooperators: Stevensville, Ravalli & Missoula County Government; Ravalli and Missoula County Sheriffs' Offices; Missoula Rural Fire; Florence VFD; Florence – Carlton School District; Nez Perce Tribe; Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes; MDOT; Carlton and Bass Lake Irrigation; Ravalli and Missoula County DES; Private Landowners.

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