

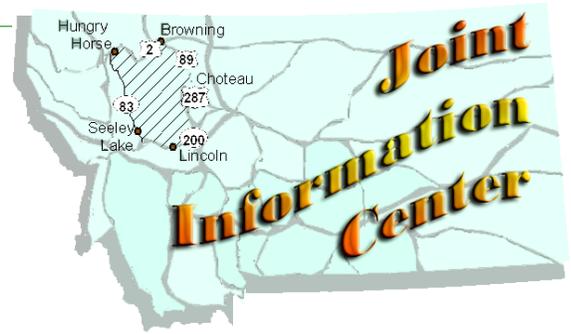
Bob Marshall Area Joint Fire Information Center
Ahorn, Amphitheatre Mountain, Conger Creek, Fool Creek,
Railley Mountain, Skyland and Turtlehead Fires

1-866-831-7450 : 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

SKYLAND FIRE

(406) 226-4333

7 A.M. TO 9 P.M.



Sunday, Aug. 12, 2007 • 8 a.m.

Pacific Northwest National Incident Management Team 3 (PNW Team 3) assumed management of the Skyland Fire at 6 p.m. Wednesday, August 8, 2007.

Yesterday's Activities:

Helicopters were used to map hot spots with infrared heat detection devices. Helicopters also moved crews and equipment into spike camps on the northern edge of the fire to reduce travel time to the line. Firefighters continued using fireline explosives to build line on the north side of the fire, south of U.S. Hwy 2 as they mopped up the east end of the fire and continued rehabilitation efforts on the west end.

Weather and Fire Behavior Forecast for Today:

A Red Flag warning has been issued from noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Relative humidity is expected to be low, from 10-15% below 6,000 feet, and 13 to 18% above 6,000 feet. Warm and clear skies are expected Sunday with valley highs 78 to 83 degrees and highs of 70 to 78 degrees above 6,000 feet. Winds will be south, southwest 20 to 25 mph, with gusts up to 35 mph.

Today's Planned Actions:

Fireline explosives will be used to build line on the north side of the fire again today through thick stands of lodgepole pine. Crews will construct direct and indirect line on the southeast corner of the fire south of Cooper Lake. Firefighters will continue scouting fireline from Cooper Lake to Badger Guard Station.

Special Notices, Alerts, Restrictions & Evacuation Levels:

All entrances to Glacier National Park are open. U.S. Hwy 2 remains open with a speed restriction in the fire area. Visit www.nps.gov/glac for more information.

For fire restrictions, visit www.mt.blm.gov/fire/restrictions. Much of the Rocky Mountain Ranger District is closed to public use. There are closures in the Hungry Horse Ranger District as well.

Evacuation Level 1 (notification) is still in effect for East Glacier, and Evacuation Level 2 (preparation) is in effect for the areas south and west of U.S. Hwy. 2 and BIA 2.

Visit www.inciweb.org and click on Skyland Fire for details, or call the ranger districts - Hungry Horse (406) 387-3800; Rocky Mountain (406) 466-5341.

Quick Fire Facts	
Location	32 miles ESE of Kalispell, MT
Approximate Size	39,820 acres
Increase since last update	670
Fire Containment	34%
Start Date	July 23, 2007 - 4:30 pm
Cause	Lightning
Incident Commander	Jeff Pendleton, PNW Team 3
Resources on the Fire	23 crews 5 helicopters 4 dozers 17 water tenders 37 engines
Total Personnel	926
Est. Containment Date	unknown
Cooperating Agencies	USFS NPS BIA Blackfeet Tribe Montana DNRC
Landowners	USFS Blackfeet Tribe Private
Restrictions	Please See Info To Left

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[National Interagency Fire Center](http://www.nifc.gov)
www.nifc.gov

[National Fire News](http://www.nifc.gov/fireinfo/nfn.html)
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