

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

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**SKYLAND FIRE**

**(406) 226-4333**

7 A.M. TO 9 P.M.



**Monday, Aug. 20, 2007 • 8 a.m.**

**Yesterday's Activities:**

Firefighters continued mopping up along the north and east sides of the fire Sunday as winds gusting to 50 mph prevented more line building on the southeast side. Despite the winds, the fire grew slowly, and crews hope to secure more line today as overnight rain and higher humidities dampen burning conditions. A good firebreak has been established around Badger Guard Station.

**Weather and Fire Behavior Forecast for Today:**

Six hundredth of an inch of rain fell on the fire overnight, slowing the fire's growth. Highs will be in the upper 60s today with higher humidities and westerly winds gusting 20 to 40 mph. Another weak disturbance is expected Tuesday, bringing more light showers.

**Today's Planned Actions:**

Two crews will be flown back into Badger Creek Monday, weather permitting, to continue building fireline north to half dome. Mop-up and patrol will continue on the north and east sides of the fire. Light rain and higher humidities should slow the fire's growth.

**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, and short delays when helicopters fly over the highway. Visit [www.nps.gov/glac](http://www.nps.gov/glac) for more information.

For fire restrictions, visit [www.mt.blm.gov/fire/restrictions](http://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 in effect for Little Badger, the U.S. Hwy. 2 Corridor and Glacier Acres.

Visit [www.inciweb.org](http://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	44,373 acres
Increase since last update	965 acres
Fire Containment	51%
Start Date	July 23, 2007 - 4:30 pm
Cause	Lightning
Incident Commander	Jeff Pendleton, PNW Team 3
Resources on the Fire	8 crews 6 helicopters 1 dozer 6 water tenders 12 engines
Total Personnel	512
Est. Containment Date	unknown
Cooperating Agencies	USFS NPS BIA Blackfeet Tribe Montana DNRC
Landowners	USFS Blackfeet Tribe Private

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