

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

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AHORN FIRE
(406) 562-3922



Monday, Aug. 20, 2007 • 8 a.m.

Yesterday's Activities: The Ahorn fire was active again on the southwest side. Most of the activity was in the Grizzly and Pearl Basins pushing down to Hoadly Creek. Active backing was observed there and when the inversion lifted activity increased significantly with uphill runs, torching and passive crowning observed in the late afternoon. On the southeast corner the fire was active north of Renshaw Mountain. There was limited fire activity in the northeast corner west of the K-Bar-L Ranch. Chipping of slash continued along the Beaver Willow Road.

Weather and Fire Behavior forecast for today: Fire weather concerns remain high as strong west winds continue today...Prepare for cold mornings Tuesday and Wednesday. Very windy and cooler. Mostly cloudy with a 20% chance of showers and storms. Highs: 65-70 lower elevations, 53-63 above 7000ft. Minimum humidity: lower elevations 30-35%, 40-45% higher elevations. Ridgetop winds: West 25-35 mph, gusts to 45 mph. Slope/valley winds: West 20-25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Haines Index of 2. Chance of wetting rain 20%.

Today's Planned Actions: Work will continue on structure protection. Chipping of slash will continue today. Fuels are being reduced along the Beaver Willow road from the Stoner Place north to Green Timber Basin. The road may be used as a control line (Management Action Point 9), if the fire gets into the Beaver Creek drainage. Mop-up and fuels mitigation will continue in the back country. Helicopters will provide support for both Ahorn and Fool Creek fires when conditions permit.

Special Notices, Restrictions and Closures: Rocky Mountain Ranger District Closures: The District Fire Closure on the **Rocky Mountain Ranger District**, Lewis and Clark National Forest, remains in effect. It is prohibited to be within the boundaries of the Fire Area Closure.

The Forest Service area closure remains in effect for the **Bob Marshall Wilderness east of the Continental Divide**. Stage II fire restrictions are in effect for the Rocky Mountain Ranger District on the Lewis and Clark National Forest. A temporary flight restriction "or TFR" is in place for the fire area and the strip at Benchmark. For detailed restrictions visit www.mt.blm.gov/fire/restrictions.

For more information on the Ahorn Fire, call the Incident Command Post in Augusta at (406) 562-3922 or go to <http://www.inciweb.org/incident/805/>.

Quick Fire Facts

Location	30 miles west of Augusta, Montana
Approximate Size	50,950
Increase since last update	500
Fire Containment	6%
Start Date	July 11
Cause	Lightning
Incident Commander	Bob Lineback
Resources on the Fire	1 Crew, 4 Helicopters, 18 Engines, 12 Water Tenders
Total Personnel	258
Est. Containment Date	Unknown
Cooperating Agencies	BLM, Lewis and Clark County, Teton County
Landowners	Lewis and Clark National Forest
Restrictions	Evacuations remain in place for the Gibson Reservoir area, Stoner area, and Benchmark area. The Benchmark airstrip remains closed due to the continued threat from the Ahorn Fire. Stage II fire restrictions are in effect for the Rocky Mountain Ranger District.

Prepared by: Lineback's Type 2 Team

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FOOL CREEK FIRE

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Yesterday's Activities: Although the Fool Creek fire burned actively again Sunday afternoon, the easternmost edge of the fire had not gotten any closer to the ranches, homes, and dude ranches along the forest boundary early Saturday afternoon.

The fire was burning most actively in:

- The vicinity of Clack Mountain and Angle Point on the western edge of the fire.
- Switchback Creek north of Gooseberry Cabin and in Gateway Gorge on the northern edge of the fire.
- In the headwaters of the West Fork of the Teton River near Bull Creek.

The fire also began burning actively as it was backing downhill southeast of the Teton Pass Ski Area Sunday afternoon. Firefighters working there went to safer areas because of erratic winds and predicted active fire behavior.

A dozer line now extends about 12 miles from the Blackleaf (also known as the Teton) Cutacross road near Antelope Butte across the state Blackleaf Wildlife Management Area and private lands to the Middle Fork of Dupuyer Creek. That line will be used only if the fire burns beyond the forest boundary some time in the future.

Weather and Fire Behavior forecast for today: Very windy and cooler Monday. Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers.

Today's Planned Actions: Two engines and two dozers will continue improving the dozer line. Firefighters will continue working to keep the Fool Creek fire from burning across the Teton River Road to the south and will be reassessing the situation near the Teton Pass Ski Area.

Special Notices, Restrictions and Closures: The Sun River, Ear Mountain and Blackleaf state wildlife management areas are closed. The Smith Creek and Dearborn trailheads in the southeastern corner of the Rocky Mountain Ranger District are open, but the remainder of the district is closed. Other adjacent areas of the Flathead National Forest are closed. The land managed by the BLM adjacent to the national forest boundary, including the Blind Horse Outstanding Natural Area, is closed. Stage II fire restrictions are in effect on the Rocky Mountain Ranger District outside of the wilderness. Stage I restrictions remain in effect within the wilderness.

Quick Fire Facts	
Location	30 mi. west of Choteau
Approximate Size	58,000 acres
Increase since last update	2,500 acres
Fire Containment	0%
Start Date	Detected July 4
Cause	Lightning in late June
Incident Commander	Jeff Whitney
Resources on the Fire	1 crew, 8 engines, 4 helicopters shared with the Ahorn fire, and 2 dozers
Total Personnel	148
Est. Containment Date	Unknown
Cooperating Agencies	Teton County Sheriff, Mont. National Guard, BLM, Mont. DNRC, Mont. DEQ, Teton Rural Vol. FD
Landowners	Lewis and Clark National Forest (30,400 acres), Flathead National Forest (25,100 acres)
Restrictions	See detailed description to the left.

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SKYLAND FIRE
(406) 226-4333
 7 A.M. TO 9 P.M.



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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 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 in effect for Little Badger, the U.S. Hwy. 2 Corridor and Glacier Acres.

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	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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CONGER FIRE
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Yesterday's Activities: The Conger Creek Fire was mapped for a more accurate acreage of 13,600 acres. The most active fire behavior was in the Conger Creek Drainage. Seven member of the fire use module, stationed at the North Fork Cabin, monitored fire behavior while the other seven members of the module stationed themselves at North Fork Trailhead after completing structure protection on Burnt cabin. They are performing structure protection and interior preparation work in the North Fork Trailhead area for the next several days.

Weather and Fire Behavior Forecast for Today: Partly sunny with chance of afternoon showers. Temperatures are expected to range between 53-62 degrees with 55-66 percent humidity. Winds are expected out of the west 10-20 MPH.

Today's Planned Actions: Crew members will perform saw work in and around the area of the North Fork Trailhead. Other crew members will monitor fire behavior and look at building contingency line on the south edge of the fire.

Special Notices, Alerts & Restrictions: The area closure begins at Triple Divide in Sec. 6, T18N, R10W, runs southeasterly along the Lolo National Forest boundary through Olson Peak to Mineral Hill, then crosses to North Fork Blackfoot Trailhead. From the trailhead the closure goes north up Lake Creek to East Spread Mountain, turns westerly to Spread Mountain and runs southwesterly along (and includes) Spread Creek Trail #166 to Monture Trailhead. From Monture Trailhead the boundary runs north along (and includes) Center Ridge Trail #246 to the Lodgepole Trailhead. From the Lodgepole Trailhead, the boundary runs cross country to Nome Point, along to Morrell Mountain, then turns north to Pyramid Pass Trailhead, continues to Pyramid Peak, then follows the Lolo National Forest boundary eastward to Triple Divide.

Quick Fire Facts

Location	20 mi north of Ovando, MT
Approximate Size	13,600 acres
Increase since last update	3,200 acres
Fire Containment	0%
Start Date	July 15, 2007
Cause	Lightning
Incident Commander	Sarah Doehring (T) Mark South
Resources on the Fire	1 fire use module
Total Personnel	16
Est. Containment Date	Season ending event
Cooperating Agencies	Forest Service
Landowners	Lolo National Forest
Restrictions	As a result of the Conger and Railley fires, most of the backcountry on the Seeley Lake Ranger District has been closed including the North Fork of the Blackfoot Trail #32 and Monture Trail #27. See the detailed description to the left.

Prepared by: Seeley Lake Ranger District, Lolo National Forest

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RAILLEY MOUNTAIN FIRE

The Railley Mountain Fire was detected and reported by Jumbo Lookout on July 21 in the upper Youngs Creek drainage of the South Fork Flathead River in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. The fire was put in suppression status with approval of the District Ranger. The fire will require monitoring and trail posting at this time, but may require more active management in the future. The fire is being monitored by Jumbo Lookout and by patrol flights.

Yesterday's Activity: It was too smoky for an observation flight to fly this fire. The fire is within ¼-1/2 mile southwest of Hahn Cabin. Hahn Cabin has been wrapped and sprinklers are being run as a crew returns to the site each day to start the pumps.

Restrictions and Closures: There is no access into the southern portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness. All access from Monture Creek, North Fork Blackfoot, and Pyramid Pass is restricted. Access is via Owl Creek at Holland Lake, Meadow Creek, Gorge Creek or Silvertip trailheads. This area closure ties into the existing area closure related to Ahorn Fire/Fool Creek Fires.

Railley Mountain Quick Fire Facts

Location	13 miles NE of Seeley Lake Ranger Station, T18N, R13W, Sec. 20
Approximate Size	9,784 Acres
Increase since last update	N/A
Fire Status	Suppression Fire
Fire Containment	0%
Start Date	June 28, detected July 21
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	Flathead NF (7,914 Acres), Lolo NF 1,870 Acres)

Picture Ridge Fire Quick Fire Facts

Location	10 miles south of Spotted Bear Ranger Station, T27N, R15W, Sec. 12
Approximate Size	1 Acre
Increase since last update	N/A
Fire Status	Suppression
Fire Containment	0 %
Start Date	Hold over 8/10 lightning detection maps, detected 8/18
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

PICTURE RIDGE

The Picture Ridge Fire was detected on an afternoon flight yesterday. The fire is located 10 miles south of Spotted Bear Ranger Station, on Picture Ridge above the South Fork Flathead River. The fire is in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. The fire was put in suppression status given its location and potential rate of spread given the current fire weather with approval of the District Ranger

Yesterday's Activity: Nine firefighters worked on the fire Sunday. In late afternoon, they were resupplied by helicopter. The fire was contained today, and is expected to be declared out tomorrow. The fire is estimated to be one acre.

Restrictions and Closures: None related to this fire.

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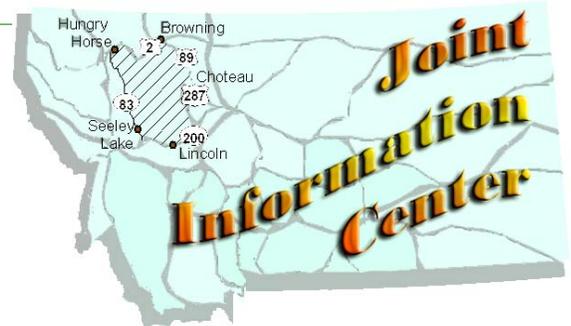
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AMPHITHEATRE MOUNTAIN

The Amphitheatre Wildland Fire Use fire was detected and reported by a patrol flight in early afternoon of July 28 in the Upper White River Drainage. It is located two miles due east of the Turtlehead Fire. The fire was put in Wildland Fire Use status with approval of the District Ranger and the Regional Office. The fire is being monitored by patrol flights, Spotted Bear Lookout and Jumbo Lookout.

Yesterday's Activities: It was too smoky for an observation flight to fly this fire.

Restrictions and Closures: On **Spotted Bear Ranger District**, there are 10 miles of White River Trail 112 from Needle Falls north to the junction with Wall Creek Trail 90, and all of Helen Creek Trail 100 that are closed to use.

Amphitheatre Mountain Quick Fire Facts

Location	22 miles SE of Spotted Bear Ranger Station. T22N, R12W, Sec. 7
Approximate Size	176 Acres
Increase since last update	N/A
Fire Status	Wildland Fire Use
Fire Containment	0%
Start Date	June 29, est. based on lightning maps, detected 7/28
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

Turtlehead Quick Fire Facts

Location	22 miles SE of Spotted Bear Ranger Station. T22N, R13W, Sec. 12
Approximate Size	550 Acres
Increase since last update	89
Fire Status	Wildland Fire Use
Fire Containment	0%
Start Date	June 28, est. based on lightning maps, detected 7/11.
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

TURTLEHEAD

The Turtlehead Wildland Fire Use fire was detected and reported by a patrol flight in early afternoon of July 28 in the Upper White River Drainage. It is located two miles due west of the Amphitheatre Mountain Fire. The fire was put in Wildland Fire Use status with approval of the District Ranger and the Regional Office. The fire is being monitored by patrol flights, Spotted Bear Lookout and Jumbo Lookout.

Yesterday's Activities: It was too smoky for an observation flight to fly this fire.

Restrictions and Closures: On **Spotted Bear Ranger District**, there are 10 miles of White River Trail 112 from Needle Falls north to the junction with Wall Creek Trail 90, and all of Helen Creek Trail 100 that are closed to use.

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Corporal Quick Fire Facts

Location	5 miles SE of Spotted Bear Ranger Station, T25N, R14W Section 28
Approximate Size	1,909 Acres
Increase since last update	270
Fire Status	Suppression
Fire Containment	0 %
Start Date	Hold over July 17 lightening detection maps, detected 8/12
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

CORPORAL

The Corporal Fire was detected and reported by Spotted Bear Lookout on August 12 in the area of Corporal Mountain and Harrison Creek, 1-1/2 mile south of Spotted Bear Lookout. The fire is in the Bob Marshall Wilderness area and within ¼ - ½ mile of the wilderness boundary. The fire was put in suppression status given its location and potential rate of spread given the current fire weather warning with approval of the District Ranger.

Yesterday's Activity: The fire is moving to the east and north down slope into Sergeant Creek. Late Sunday afternoon a heavy helicopter was working with water drops on the north edge of the fire. An early evening flight showed moderate fire activity and an increase to 1,909 acres. Planning for structure protection in the Spotted Bear area continued.

Restrictions and Closures: All of Sergeant-Harrison Trail 88, Trail-Sergeant Trail 94, Harrison Trail 584, Lost Jack Trail 102, Meadow Mt. Trail 56, and Spotted Bear Mountain Trail 84 from the junction with Spotted Bear Lake Trail to the Lookout are closed to use. The trail to Spotted Bear Lake remains open.

GUST

The Gust Fire was detected and reported by Jumbo Lookout on August 12 in the area Gust Mountain in the southern portion of Spotted Bear Ranger District, two miles northeast of the Railley Mountain Fire. The fire is in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. The fire was put in suppression status given its location and potential rate of spread given the current fire weather warning with approval of the District Ranger. It is in the vicinity of the Railley Mountain and Falls Creek Fire.

Yesterday's Activities: It was too smoky for an observation flight to fly this fire.

Restrictions and Closures: There is no access into the southern portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness. All access from Monture Creek, North Fork Blackfoot, and Pyramid Pass is restricted. Access is via Owl Creek at Holland Lake, Meadow Creek, Gorge Creek or Silvertip Trailheads. This area closure ties into the existing area closure related to Ahorn Fire/Fool Creek Fires.

Gust Fire Quick Fire Facts

Location	16 miles NE Seeley Lake Ranger Station, T18N, R13W, Sec 1; SW ¼
Approximate Size	30 Acres +, not accurately mapped due to smoke conditions
Increase since last update	N/A
Fire Status	Suppression
Fire Containment	0 %
Start Date	Hold over August 10 lightening detection maps, detected 8/12
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

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Calbick Fire Quick Fire Facts

Location	20 miles NE Spotted Bear Ranger Station, T27N, R12W, Sec 8
Approximate Size	862 Acres
Increase since last update	562
Fire Status	Suppression
Fire Containment	0 %
Start Date	Hold over 7/17 lightening detection maps, detected 8/15
Cause	Lightning
Landowners	USFS, Flathead NF

CALBICK

The Calbick Fire was detected and reported by people at Schafer Meadows Work Center on the afternoon of August 15. The fire is located just east of Arrowhead Mountain in the northern portion of Spotted Bear Ranger District, in the upper Middle Fork Flathead River. The fire is in the Great Bear Wilderness 3 miles northeast of Schafer Meadows. The fire was put in suppression status given its location and potential rate of spread given the current fire weather with approval of the District Ranger

Yesterday's Activity: The early evening flight on Sunday observed moderate fire activity. The two sections of the fire grew together and grew north, but all fire remained east of Arrowhead Mountain. Sprinkler setup and wrapping structures continued at Schafer Meadows.

Restrictions and Closures: Calbick Trail 391, Big River Trail 155 from junction Trail 391 west to Trail 327, Lodgepole Mt Trail 337, Lodgepole Creek Trail 179, Morrison Creek Trail 154 from junction Trail 589 south to Trail 155 are closed to use.

For more information on these fires, visit this links:
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**BOB MARSHALL WILDERNESS COMPLEX
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There have been several new trail and area closures in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex as of August 16, 2007. A new map detailing these closures is available for viewing/download at www.activefires.net/jic_mt.

**Helena National Forest
Lincoln Ranger District
8/16/2007 Closure**

Area Closure: Due to the Conger Fire, the Helena National Forest has instituted an area closure that encompasses the west half of the Scapegoat Wilderness on the Lincoln Ranger District. The closure is described as follows: From Red Mountain north of Lincoln in T16N, R9W Sec. 26, follow the Scapegoat Wilderness boundary to the west to Mineral Hill. Follow the Helena National Forest/ Lolo National Forest boundary northeast to Crow point, and the Helena / Lewis and Clark National Forest boundary east to Monitor Point (not Monitor Mountain). From there, the closure line turns south along the Bighorn Creek/Landers Fork watershed divide, coming down to Landers Fork in Sec. 11, T16N R9W. From Landers fork it goes south to the west end of Webb Lake (which remains open), and then on watershed divide west of Ringeye Creek back to Red Mountain.

The official closure order language is as follows:

Order Number H-07-20: For the purpose of this order it is prohibited from going into or being upon all National Forest System Lands administered by the Helena National Forest as depicted in the map, Attachment A, hereby made part of this order. The area closure is defined as the wilderness boundary of the Scapegoat Wilderness from Red Mountain in T16N R9W Section 26 along the prominent ridgeline south and west in sections 33 and 32, T15N R9W Sections 5, 8, 7 and 6 to Arrastra Mtn along the ridgeline heading north in T15N R 10W Section 1, 12, 11, 10 and 3 to Daly Peak. This closure continues along the ridgeline heading north and west to Mineral Hill in T16N R10W Section 33, 29, 20, 19, 18, and then northeast in sections 7, 8, 5, and 4 continuing in T17N R10W Sections 33, 34, 27, 26, 23, 24 and 13 continuing east in T17N R9W in sections 18, 19, 20, 21, 16, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 continuing in T17N R8W in Sections 18, 17, 16, and 15. The closure boundary then crosses through the middle of the Scapegoat Wilderness heading southwest in T17N R8W in Sections 15, 16, 20, 29, 30, and 31 continuing in T16N R9W Sections 1, 2, 11, and 14 to Webb Lake and continuing in Sections 14, 15, 21, and 28 back to Red Mountain. The following trails will be closed: Mainline trail #481 at Webb Lake Cabin to Helena NF boundary in T17N R10W Section 34, Trail #479 Upper Landers, Trail #433 Crow Creek, Trail #432 Crow Peak, Trail #422 Middle Fork, Trail #438 Landers Fork to closure boundary in T17N R8W Section 29, Trail #440 Continental Divide to closure boundary in T17N R8W Section 29, Trail #427 Sourdough Basin, Trail #425 Twin Lakes, Trail #483 Meadow Creek (except portion outside Wilderness boundary), Trail #482 East Fork of Meadow Creek (except portion outside Wilderness boundary), Trail #484 Mineral Creek, Trail #476 Bugle Mtn, Trail #475 Mineral Creek Cutoff, and Trail #480 Meadow Cutoff. The reason for this closure is to provide for public and firefighter safety due to wildfires in the area, therefore the public is prohibited from use of this area.

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**Flathead National Forest,
Hungry Horse - Glacier View &
Spotted Bear Ranger Districts Closures**

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 for more information.

Area Closure: A portion of the Flathead National Forest south of Highway 2 is closed on the Hungry Horse Ranger District due to the Skyland Fire. Access to Skyland Road 569 the adjacent area is closed. Call the Hungry Horse Ranger District at (406) 387-3800 for specific information.

There is no access into the southern portion of the Bob Marshall Wilderness. All access from Monture Creek, North Fork Blackfoot, Pyramid Pass is restricted.

People may access the west side of the Bob Marshall via Owl Creek at Holland Lake, Meadow Creek, Gorge Creek or Silvertip trailheads. This area closure ties into the existing area closure related to Ahorn Fire/Fool Creek Fires. Call Spotted Bear Ranger District at (406) 758-5378 for information.

Trail Closures: Updated 8/16/2007: 10 Miles of White River Trail 112 from Needle Falls north to the junction with Wall Creek Trail 90 is closed. All of Helen Creek Trail 100 is closed to use. The closures are posted on the ground.

NEW 8/16: Due to the Corporal Fire, the entire lengths of these trails are closed: Sergeant-Harrison Trail 88, Sergeant Trail 94, Harrison Trail 584, Lost Jack Trail 102, Meadow Mtn. The Spotted Bear Mountain Trail from the junction with the Spotted Bear Lake Trail to the Lookout is closed to all use.

NEW 8/16: Due to the Calbick Fire in the Great Bear Wilderness, the following trails are closed in full: Calbick Trail 391, Lodgepole Mtn Trail 337, and Lodgepole Creek Trail 179. Big River Trail 155 from its junction with Trail 391 west to Trail 327 and the Morrison Creek Trail 154 from its junction with Trail 589 to the junction of Trail 155 are also closed to all use.

Skyland Fire: Trails 154 and 156 are closed north of their junctions with Trail 589 are closed. All trails connecting to Road 569 are closed.

Fire Restrictions: Stage II fire restrictions continue for Northwest Montana. These restrictions apply to all lands in Northwest Montana under the protection of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), Flathead National Forest, Kootenai National Forest, Glacier National Park, Lake County, Sanders County, Lincoln County, Flathead County, Region 1 of Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP), and US Fish & Wildlife Service.

Stage I fire restrictions apply to the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, (Bob Marshall, Scapegoat and Great Bear Wilderness) lands on the Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Helena and Lolo National Forests. *Open fires are not allowed within the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex.*

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Seeley Lake Ranger District Closures**

The area closure begins at Triple Divide in Sec. 6, T18N, R10W, runs southeasterly along the Lolo National Forest boundary through Olson Peak to Mineral Hill, then crosses to North Fork Blackfoot Trailhead. From the trailhead the closure goes north up Lake Creek to East Spread Mountain, turns westerly to Spread Mountain and runs southwesterly along (and includes) Spread Creek Trail #166 to Monture Trailhead. From Monture Trailhead the boundary runs north along (and includes) Center Ridge Trail #246 to the Lodgepole Trailhead. From the Lodgepole Trailhead, the boundary runs cross country to Nome Point, along to Morrell Mountain, then turns north to Pyramid Pass Trailhead, continues to Pyramid Peak, then follows the Lolo National Forest boundary eastward to Triple Divide.

**Lewis and Clark National Forest
Rocky Mountain Ranger District**

The District Fire Closure on the Rocky Mountain Ranger District, Lewis and Clark National Forest, remains in effect. The closure affects the following area: From Highway 2 at the Continental Divide (adjacent to Flathead National Forest Closure in Section 31), South along the Forest Boundary to Observation Point, east along the watershed divide between Green Fork Creek and the South Fork Sun River, across the ridge top of Cigarette Rock, along and including trail #247 to its junction with trail #212, along but not including trail #212 to its junction with trail #232, east following along but not including trail #232 to its junction with trail #244, east along but not including the portion of trail #244 in section 24 to the Forest boundary; North along the Forest boundary to Highway 2 and along Highway 2 to the Continental Divide. It is prohibited to be within the boundaries of the Fire Area Closure.

Hikers may still access the southern portion of the Scapegoat Wilderness on the Lewis and Clark National Forest through Smith Creek, Elk Creek, and the Dearborn Trailheads.

Fire Restrictions: Stage II fire restrictions are in effect for the Rocky Mountain Ranger District on the Lewis and Clark National Forest outside the Wilderness. Stage I fire restrictions are in effect for the wilderness portion of the Rocky Mountain Ranger District.

Air Traffic: Temporary flight restriction "or TFR" is in place for the fire areas and the air-strip at Benchmark is closed.

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