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Mile Marker 14 AM Update

Boise, ID – Fire crews from a variety of local and federal agencies continue to battle the Mile Marker 14 Fire, 5 miles east of Boise, Idaho on Highway 21. The fire is currently estimated at 4, 446 acres and burning in grass and sage in steep and rocky terrain. No estimate of containment at this time.

Today’s objective will be for hotshot crews, with the support of air tankers, to construct fireline north from Aldape Summit to the high bridge on Highway 21. Engines and hand crews will reinforce the dozer line on the eastern and southern perimeters. An additional four hotshot crews have been ordered to assist with suppression efforts.

Ada County Sherriff, in cooperation with Boise County Sheriff’s Office, has closed Rocky Canyon Road and all trails east to Highway 21 from Rocky Canyon. “With a wind shift and a topography change, the Mile Marker 14 Fire has the potential to spread towards Rocky Canyon Road. The last thing we want is to jeopardize the safety of the public and firefighters if that were to occur” stated Incident Commander Lindsey Neiwert. Highway 21 is currently open in both directions. The public is encouraged to slow down as they travel the Highway 21 corridor near the fire as fire crews will be working in the area throughout the day.

Incident Summary

| Acres | Contained | Cause | Engines | Crews | Dozers | Helicopters | Personnel |
|-------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------------|-----------|
| 4,446 | 0% | Human | 9 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 175 |

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