



# Pioneer Fire Update

## Wednesday, August 31, 2016

**Garden Valley Area Fire Information:** 844-633-3090

**Idaho City Area Fire Information:** 208-392-9634

**Boise National Forest Fire Information:** 208-384-3266

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**Acres: 157,393      Containment: 58%      Personnel: 1,105**

**Resources assigned includes: 21 crews, 9 helicopters, 44 engines, 4 dozers, 24 water tenders and 3 masticators**

BOISE, August 31, 2016 – The fire continues advancing to the north and northeast, growing by 16,613 acres. The northern flank of the fire is in the Scott Creek and north of the Whitehawk Mountain area. The fire has reached old fire scars to the northeast near the Red Mountain area, and it is expected to slow. Fire activity continued to burn late into the evening due to low relative humidity. Firefighters in the Deadwood and Bear Valley area are looking for opportunities to construct containment lines and limit additional growth. Crews in the Archie Mountain area made good progress yesterday and continue to work on hot spots near the containment line. The Charlotte Gulch area is also being worked on by crews, who are making good progress.

The inversion yesterday held heavy smoke in the valleys and river drainages longer than previous days. Smoke from the fire will continue to impact the communities of Garden Valley, Lowman and Stanley and the surrounding areas. Air quality is being monitored, and the daily outlook for the region is published online at: [idsmoke.blogspot.com](http://idsmoke.blogspot.com).

Today is another Red Flag warning day. Burning conditions will be similar to yesterday. Forecasters expect a weak cold front over the fire Thursday and Friday, which will bring cooler temperatures and higher humidity.

All current evacuation levels remain in place. A Level 2 evacuation designation is still in effect for the summer homes located in the Long Creek area along Forest Road 582 (Bear Valley). A Level 1 designation remains in effect for all of the properties in Pioneerville, as well as those in the Lowman area. Level 1 is also in place for homes located in the South Fork Road area, east of Grimes Creek and along the South Fork Payette River.

A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is in place over the fire area. Private and commercial aircraft as well as privately owned drones are prohibited from entering the restricted air space. Fire suppression aircraft may be grounded if unauthorized aircraft or drones are observed in the air space. The closure may be reviewed at: Temporary Flight Restriction- Pioneer Fire: [http://tfr.faa.gov/save\\_pages/detail\\_6\\_3189.html](http://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_6_3189.html)

**A Pioneer Fire Information community meeting is scheduled tonight, Wednesday, August 31, from 7-8 p.m. at the Lowman EMS building.**

**DETAILS** — The Pioneer Fire Area Closure is expected to expand up to the 579 road and updates can be found at [fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notice](http://fs.usda.gov/alerts/boise/alerts-notice) and information at [inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4866](http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4866). Information is also available at [facebook.com/Pioneer-Fire-682201165260518](https://facebook.com/Pioneer-Fire-682201165260518) or email questions to [pioneerfire2016@gmail.com](mailto:pioneerfire2016@gmail.com).

**HUNT INFORMATION** - <https://idfg.idaho.gov/blog/2016/08/get-current-fire-information-here>

**FIRE RESTRICTIONS** — Please check fire restrictions at [idahofireinfo.com](http://idahofireinfo.com)