SOUTHWEST AREA TYPE 1
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM
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Motorway Complex Update

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Fire Information: (208) 507-2643 or (208) 926-4170
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Wednesday, September 9, 2015 - 9 a.m.

Motorway Complex (Inc. Slide and Woodrat)
Date Started: 8/14
Cause: lightning
Size: 23,409 acres (Slide 10,296, Woodrat 6,459)
Containment: 30 %
Personnel: 644

Jay Point Fire
Date Started: 8/17
Cause: lightning
Size: 4,733

Boulder Fire
Date Started: 8/11
Cause: lightning
Size: 5,011

Jay Point/Boulder Combined Containment: 35%
Jay Point/ Boulder Combined Personnel: 14

Cooperating Agencies: U.S. Forest Service, Idaho County, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Department of Lands, Idaho State Police, Idaho Department of Transportation, Idaho County Light & Power, Clearwater County and Rural Fire Departments.

*The fires known previously as the Motorway North Complex (Yoosa, Musselshell, Lost Hat, Snowy Summit fires) are now part of the Motorway Complex, hence the increase in acreage from yesterday.

Weather: Temperature will be in the low 80s in the valleys and mid 60s at higher elevations today. Relative humidity will decrease throughout the week as temperatures rise, potentially reaching 90 degrees by Friday, creating the potential for fires to become more active toward the end of the week.

Woodrat Fire: Crews are starting to rehabilitate burned areas along the west side of the fire.

Slide Fire: Firefighters finished constructing fireline to Coolwater Road on Johnson Bar Ridge. Crews will focus on patrolling the fire and begin rehab work along Selway Road.

Jay Point/ Boulder Fires: Crews on both fires will patrol containment lines and have begun rehab in burned areas.

Motorway North Group: Crews are constructing contingency line on the Northwest side of the Yoosa fire. The Musselshell, Lost Hat and Snowy Summit fires will continue to be monitored for signs of fire activity.

Walde East and Walde West Groups: Crews continue to construct direct line around the Higgins Hump fire. With the Big Hill and Jungle fires boxed in, personnel will monitor the fires for any activity. Firefighters are assessing the Walde 1, 2 and 3 fires to determine the appropriate suppression actions.

Evacuations: Level 1 evacuations remain in place in the Powell, Lowell, Syringa, and the Lolo Hot Springs areas. The Selway Road is open to the O'Hara bridge. For more information, please go to the Idaho County Sheriff's Office Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Idaho-County-Sheriffs-Office/178393728844032

Closures: Area closures are in place in the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests to ensure public safety relating to fire activity. Forest area closures around the Motorway Complex fire area are enforced with road blocks. Localized closures will continue to change, updates can be found by visiting: http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/nezperceclearwater/alerts-notices

Fire Restrictions: Fire restrictions on the Nez Perce – Clearwater National Forests have been lifted. Please contact your local forest service office if you have questions.

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