



# Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team

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## Rapid Fire Update

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<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4496/#>

Start Date	Cause	Size	Percent Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total Personnel
08/10/2015	Lightning	3584 acres	12%	4	13	9	1	423

**Summary:** The Rapid fire is burning south of Rapid Peak and east of the Rapid Creek drainage, approximately 12 miles southeast of McCall. The fire is burning in rugged terrain, on steep slopes in brush, mixed conifer, and subalpine fir in the Payette National Forest. Moderate range spotting and group torching are fueling short, uphill runs of the fire.

**Current Situation:** An inversion layer and lower temperatures over the fire area on Saturday slowed the growth of the fire. The fire has spotted to the northeast into Petes Lake drainage while the southeastern edge is creeping and smoldering through the fuels. Helicopters provided aerial support to ground resources with water drops as crews work the west and southeast edge.

The focus for Sunday's resources is to continue efforts on the west and southern portions of the fire to help prevent spread to the communities of McCall and Paddy Flat subdivisions. While crews work the west and southern portion of the fire, aerial resources will continue to drop water on the east edge of the fire in an effort to slow progression.

Due to dry conditions and the threat of new fires, Stage I fire restrictions for the Payette and Boise National Forest are now in effect. For more information and a map of the areas included with these restrictions, see <http://idahofireinfo.blogspot.com/p/fire-instructions.html>

**Closures and Evacuations:** No evacuations are in place. An area closure is in effect for the Rapid fire. The closure area (approximately 8 miles by 7 miles) is Forest Service lands east of Boulder Reservoir extending southerly to include Kennally Creek trailhead and horse camp. See Inciweb <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/article/4522/27099/> for a complete area description and map.

**Fire Weather:** Wide spread areas of smoke persist. Temperatures will warm significantly today with winds from the southwest and a few afternoon gusts to 15 mph on exposed ridgetops.

*“Teamwork, partnerships and cooperation are essential in managing fire”*