

Prospect Fire Wildfire Fact Sheet

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Location: Junction of Meadow Creek and Prospect Creek, 8 miles north of Harvard, Idaho

Incident Command: North Idaho Type 3 Incident Management Team 2, Jason Svancara, I.C.

Estimated Size: 286 acres

Containment: 5%

Total Personnel: 142

Firefighters keep fire in check, fire now 5% contained

(Harvard, Idaho- 9/7/22) The Prospect Fire experienced limited fire growth yesterday and is estimated at 286 acres with five percent containment. Fire behavior included short-range spotting and single tree torching. However, firefighters were successful in keeping the fire checked within the established perimeter along the north edge and out of Forest Service lands. Crews made excellent progress tying together a combination of mechanical line, roads, and handlines around the fire's perimeter. Aviation resources assisted ground forces with bucket water drops allowing for direct engagement of the fire.

Today fire crews will again work to construct indirect fire lines, strengthening and reinforcing the constructed fireline with hose lays, pumps, and sprinklers to bring water to the fire edge, and in some areas, begin the mop up process along firelines where containment has been achieved. Patrolling for spot fires in efforts to quickly extinguish and mop up will continue as expected windy conditions push embers toward the east. Aviation resources will be available to deliver water if needed.

Critical fire weather conditions with Red Flag warnings will exist today. This will impact the intensity of the fire and the rate of spread. Firefighting efforts will continue to be aggressive and direct when safe to do so.

Currently there are no road or area closures, however this is continually re-assessed, and the public will be informed as changes occur.

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR): There is a TFR in place for air space over the Prospect Fire (FDC-2/1591) for the safety of all firefighting resources both ground and air. The TFR also applies to unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or drones. All aviation resources will be grounded if the TFR is violated. **If you fly, we can't!**

Cooperating Agencies: Idaho Dept. of Lands, Potlatch Rural Fire, Latah County Sheriff, Deary Rural Fire, Moscow Rural Fire, PotlatchDeltic, USDA Nez Perce - Clearwater National Forests

Photos:

- 1. Prospect Fire northwest corner. Mechanical line with retardant and road holding fire beneath the ridge 9/6/22. Credit- Mike McManus
- 2. Water tender, portable holding tank with pump and hose lay delivering water to the fire line 9/6/22. Credit- Mike McManus
- 3. Fire burning in the Prospect creek drainage 9/6/22. Credit- Mike McManus
- 4. Public Information Map

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