

Willow Creek Fire Incident Update Sunday, August 31, 2025



Fire Information: 725-295-1923 **Location:** 3 Miles S of Smoot, WY

Fire Start Date: 08/22/2025

Size: 4,065

Percent contained: 28% People Assigned: 370

CURRENT SITUATION

Firefighters continue to use the 381 Road to access the interior and western perimeter of the fire to extinguish hot spots. Crews on all divisions are working to improve established containment lines and further extend those lines. Helicopters are assisting firefighters with water drops on the northern perimeter and shuttle supplies to crews staying in remote camps. Crews on the east side of the fires are expanding assessments of structures to the east of Highway 89. Additional personnel are arriving to support and relieve crews who will be returning home for some much-needed rest.

WEATHER FORECAST

Mostly clear skies all day, with no rain is expected on Sunday. Temperatures will be in the mid-60s and a minimum relative humidity of 20%. Winds will be out of the north at 8MPH with gusts up to 15MPH. Looking ahead, temperatures trend warmer for Monday and Tuesday, with humidity trending slightly down. With this weather trend, fire behavior is expected to remain active with potential increases in smoke.

EVACUATION/CLOSURE INFORMATION

Lincoln County utilizes the READY, SET, GO! method. It's important to be familiar with each stage; read the descriptions by visiting the Lincoln County Emergency Management's Wildland Fire Action Guide at https://cms5.revize.com/.../RSG%20Guide%20Interactive...

The evacuation zones remain at a 'SET' status. The zones are from mile post 75 south (vicinity of Gomm's Pond Lane) to Salt Pass, and west of Highway 89 from Reeves-Schwab Lane South to Gomms Pond. Please be prepared for potential evacuation should the "GO" order be given. The Code Red notification will be initiated by Lincoln County Homeland Security & Emergency Management. Use this link https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/5A0AA8D606C6 to sign up to receive notifications.

A forest closure for a portion of both the Grey River District and Kemmerer District, is still in effect. The defined boundary for area closure is as follows: from U.S. Highway 89 T29 N R 19 N Section 34 running west along the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary (R19W R18W) to the Wyoming Idaho State line, running north along said state line to the Forest/private boundary at T 31 R 119 W section 30, following the Forest/private boundary SE to its intersection with U.S. Highway 89, running along the west edge of U.S. Highway 89 back to the point of origin. Smiths Fork Winter Trailhead is closed. Within the described area, all roads and trails are closed including Allred Flat Campground. Follow this link for full closure information: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-closures/wybtf-willow-creek-fire

Travelers on Highway 89 are advised to use caution due to fire vehicles and equipment in the area. Please do not stop or park along the roadside to view the fire area, as this can create safety risks for emergency personnel.