

Lacelle Lake fire (HJ-007) update, August 28, 2025

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Recent assessments indicate that the fire is more active due to warm and dry weather. Light white smoke can be seen, but there is no current threat to any structures or communities.

All structure protection equipment has been demobilized but remains available for redeployment if fire activity were to increase further.

The travel advisory in the area will stay in effect due to the risk of fallen trees on the road.

If travel within the area is necessary:

- Inform someone about your plans
- Travel early in the day if you can
- Carry a chainsaw in case of fallen trees

Today, a planned ignition is scheduled between 3:00 pm and 8:00 pm, if conditions allow. This operation is taking place in anticipation of seasonal wind shifts and increased fire activity. The planned ignition will target the eastern flank of the fire to direct it into a valley, preventing potential spread to the southeast under forecasted north winds.

The planned ignition isn't expected to affect the road, but there will be more Wildland Fire Management presence during the operation.

Crews will stay on site to monitor the operation and carry out suppression if needed.