FIRE UPDATE Old Baldy Fire

August 3, 2020 10:00 a.m.

Fire Information: 406-682-4253, Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Facebook: <u>Beaverhead-Deerlodge Naitonal Forest</u>

Start Date:	August 1, 2020
Cause:	Lightning
Current Size:	~75 acres
Total Personnel:	~70
Containment:	0%

Location: Approximately 6 miles NE of Sheridan, MT

Resources Assigned: 2 – Type I Crews; 11 District Fire Personnel; 15 Smokejumpers; 3 Helicopters (Type 3 – light, Type 2 – medium, Type 1 – heavy)

Current Status: A local Type III Incident Management Team is currently managing the fire with Paul Roose as the Incident Commander. The fire is burning in Subalpine fir and dead White Bark Pine. Fire activity yesterday consisted of single and group tree torching with short crown runs and spotting a couple hundred feet.

Today is expected to bring similar fire activity with the potential for increased spotting. Firefighters will attempt to keep the fire within its current footprint with the aid of multiple helicopters. Smoke will continue to be visible from the towns of Sheridan and Twin Bridges.

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