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FIRE UPDATE

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Salmon, Idaho

With all the lightning yesterday the area also received measurable amounts of precipitation. Most weather stations reported around a quarter inch of rain. As of this morning no new fires had been located. Temperatures are expected to remain cooler throughout the day with another round of rain and lightning possible in the late afternoon.

Van Horn

Only a trace amount of rain fell on the Van Horn fire yesterday. The fire is 25% contained at 1500 acres. Yesterday fire fighters observed torching in groups of trees, short crown runs, creeping and burning in heavy fuels. A total of 97 people are engaged in fighting the fire which is burning 16 miles northeast of Challis. Officials are concerned about the fire spotting in heavy continuous fuels with beetle-killed trees. The fire area closure remains in effect.

Clear Sage

The Clear Sage fires remained at 461 acres again Wednesday. The fire is southeast of the Sagebrush Lookout in the Clear Creek drainage in the Frank Church – River of No Return Wilderness. The fire area closure remains in effect.

Bohannon

The 42 acre Bohannon Fire continues to smolder in a steep narrow drainage north of Bohannon Creek 10 miles southeast of Salmon.

