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Vale District Fire Update

VALE, Oregon – The **Old Maid Fire** near Jordan Valley doubled in size last night, spreading to the north. It is currently estimated at 2,000 acres. Extreme shifts in the wind yesterday afternoon and evening contributed to the spread. The northern boundary of the fire is approximately two miles south of Mahogany Gap.

Approximately four miles of backfire operations were conducted on the northern perimeter last night. A large swath of private land and scattered cabins are located to the north of the fire. Jordan Valley Fire Protection Association and cabin owners have performed some burnout operations around the cabins.

Todd Gregory, Bureau of Land Management Vale District Incident Commander, said this morning that the eastern boundary of the fire came within a mile and a half of Highway 95 at Succor Creek. Today's suppression efforts should remain concentrated to the north.

Incident Command of the **Juniper Reservoir Fire** has been turned over to a Northern Arizona Incident Management Team. For more information on the Juniper Reservoir Fire, please contact (866) 781-8629.

For more information on Vale District fires, please contact Randy Hyde at (208) 921-4470.

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