

## Oak Ridge Fire Update Wednesday, July 10, 2024

## **Type 3 Incident Management Organization**

Pat Seekins, Incident Commander

**Location**: Three miles northwest of Beulah, CO S

Date Reported: June 22, 2024

Cause: Lightning

**Size**: 1,310 acres

Containment: 76%
Total Personnel: 310

The evening of July 9, a Type 3 Incident Management Organization took control of the fire from the outgoing Rocky Mountain Area Complex Incident Management Team. The new team is comprised of members that were already working on the Oak Ridge Fire as well as new resources. The amount and types of fire resources will continue to adjust as work is completed and the fire risk is reduced.

The current priority for the Oak Ridge Fire will continue to be suppression repair. Suppression repair involves repair/restoration of areas impacted by firefighting efforts. Examples include installing water bars on firelines to dissipate water during rainfall events. In DIV. A., chipping and scattering brush that was cleared during line installation continues to occur. The backhaul of equipment continues with the removal of structure protection items from the affected areas back in to the incident command post. All of these efforts help to return the landscape to pre-firefighting conditions, to the best extent possible. Fire managers are working closely with resource advisors to ensure this is completed to meet recommended standards.

The Oak Ridge Fire burned mainly in a mosaic pattern, meaning there are areas of burned and unburned fuels within the fire perimeter. As the area moves into a warming trend through the end of the week, these fuels may smolder and continue to produce smoke.

**Weather & Smoke Information:** The fire received up to 1/10" of rain last night. There is less than a 30% chance the fire will receive precipitation today. Conditions will begin to dry out and warm up from Thursday onward. Temperatures will reach 84 today with relative humidities as low as 24%. After noon, winds will switch to be out of the southeast and gust up to 16 mph.

The U.S. Interagency Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program daily smoke outlook report specific to the fire area may be found at https://outlooks.airfire.org/outlook/d9fa3c77

**Closures**: The San Carlos Ranger District of the Pike and San Isabel National Forests issued an area, trail and road closure effective June 26, 2024. Go to <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/psicc/alerts-notices">www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/psicc/alerts-notices</a> for the entire order.

Evacuations: There are currently no evacuations from county sheriff offices due to the Oak Ridge Fire.

**Temporary Flight Restrictions:** The is a 24-hour a day Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) over the fire area remains in effect. The TFR includes restrictions against private drones and all air incursions will be reported to law enforcement.

## OAK RIDGE FIRE INFORMATION

Fire Information Phoneline: 719-315-1536 Time: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Facebook: @OakRidgeFire2024 Email: 2024.oakridge@firenet.gov

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