



CLEARWATER FIRE UPDATE



Thursday August 22, 2024

Wapiti Ranger District (307) 527-6921


Fire location	11 miles west of Wapiti, Wyoming	Size	1,966 Acres
Start date	7/19/2024	Containment	75%
Cause	Lightning	Personnel	64
Email: 2024.clearwater@firenet.gov	Incident Commander	Sage Decker, Greater Yellowstone Area, Type 3 team	

Operations - Fire growth remains minimal on the Clearwater Fire. Over the week firefighters on the ground increased containment to 75%. Over the last couple days resources have been scouting opportunities to go direct and secure areas that are retaining heat on the western edges of the fire. Today crews will be inserted to engage those areas and enact that plan. They are hoping to have those areas secured in the next couple days. Fire managers will continue work on the Clearwater Fire and take appropriate action based on complexity, safety, fire behavior, and weather.

Closures - Elk Fork Campground is closed indefinitely until rehab is completed; Clearwater Campground is closed until fire conditions allow otherwise. A road and trail closure are in effect at NFS Road #424, Elk Fork Road and NFS Trail # 760, Elk Fork Trail (021404-24-03). An area closure is also in place around the Clearwater Fire (021404-24-05) Copies of those orders can be found under “Alerts and Forest Orders” on the forest webpage or [here](#). For safety reasons, the public is asked to respect closed campgrounds and trails. A temporary flight restriction (TFR) is in effect around the fire.

Weather | Anticipated Fire Behavior – Hot and dry conditions are expected through the week which will continue to dry out unburned areas making them receptive to fire once again.

Safety Information - The Shoshone National Forest implemented Stage 1 fire restrictions due to very dry conditions of fuels and continued hot, dry weather. [Click here](#) to view a copy of Stage 1 Fire Restrictions order (#02-14-04-24-04).

Inciweb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wyshf-clearwater-fire	 <p>QR Code for quick links to the Clearwater Fire</p>
Shoshone National Forest: http://www.fs.usda.gov/shoshone	
Shoshone National Forest Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ShoshoneNationalForestOfficial	
Smoke and Air Quality: Fire.airnow.gov	
Wyoming Roads: www.wyoroad.info	