



# Southwest Area Incident Management Team

TEAM 5 – Dave Gesser– INCIDENT COMMANDER



## Containment increases; Firefighters focus efforts on extinguishing hotspots and holding lines Daily Update August 27, 2024

**Fire Information Phone:** 307-201-3885 (8 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

**Media Information Phone:** 307-543-7202 (8 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

**Suppression Repair Phone:** 307-303-7642 (8 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

**Email:** 2024.housedraw@firenet.gov

**Acres:** Flat Rock – 52,599; Remington – 196,387; Constitution – 24,594; House Draw – 174,702

Acreage changes may occur due to overnight operations and infrared mapping.

**Containment:** Flat Rock – 49% Remington – 5%; Constitution – 28%; House Draw – 88%

**Location:** Flat Rock – 11 miles NW of Gillette, WY; Remington – 14 NE of Leiter WY, multiple counties in SE Montana; Constitution – 15 miles north of Gillette, WY; House Draw – 9 miles southeast of Buffalo, WY

**Start Date:** August 21, 2024

**Personnel:** 581

**Fuels:** Grass, brush and timber

**Resources:** 14 crews | 7 helicopters | 50 engines | 8 bulldozers | 7 water tenders

**Highlights:** Containment has increased on the Flat Rock and Remington fires. Private landowners that have heavy equipment line or fences cut during suppression efforts can contact fire officials by phone at 307-303-7642. A community meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at the Birney Post Office (302 Commercial Street, Birney, MT).

**Fire Activity:** Fire activity was reduced on several of the fires yesterday, Monday, August 26, due to precipitation that fell across the region. Today, firefighters will target hot spots and begin assessing suppression repair needs.

**Flat Rock** – Fire behavior was reduced yesterday on the Flat Rock fire. Firefighters went direct on the north end of the fire. Today, crews will utilize infrared technology to assist in identifying and extinguishing hotspots where needed.

**Remington** – Yesterday, firefighters conducted mop-up activities, but had to pull back due to the widespread rain.

**Constitution** – Today, crews continue to secure the edge of the fire. Smoke may still be visible as pockets of unburned fuels are consumed.

**House Draw** – Yesterday, rain hampered fire activity on the House Draw fire. Today, crews will be assessing and mapping dozer lines for suppression repair.

**Evacuations:** No evacuations are in effect on the Flat Rock, Constitution, Remington or House Draw fires.

**Weather:** In the fire area, temperatures will rebound to the low to mid 80s with no expected rainfall.

**Fire Restrictions and Closures:** Fire Restrictions are in place across the fire area including:

- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for Custer Gallatin National Forest, Ashland Ranger District. More information available at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/custergallatin/alerts-notice/?aid=89447>.
- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for Bureau of Land Management Buffalo Field Office in Johnson County (as of July 1, 2024) and Campbell and Sheridan Counties (as of July 9, 2024). More information available at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/public-safety-and-fire/wyoming/fire>.
- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for Sheridan, Campbell and Johnson Counties in Montana. More information available at <https://wsfd.wyo.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions>.

### More Information:

InciWeb (House Draw Fire): <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wyhp-d-house-draw-fire>

InciWeb (Remington Fire): <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/mtgnf-remington-fire>

Public Information Linktree: <https://linktr.ee/housedrawfire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SWIMT5/>