

Southwest Area Incident Management Team TEAM 5 - Dave Gesser- INCIDENT COMMANDER









Crew continue repair work, last day to request assistance on private land Daily Update September 4, 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.) This line is for private landowners to report repair needs of heavy equipment line or cut fence that occurred during fire suppression efforts. Be aware this phone line

will be unstaffed starting Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 8:00 p.m.

Email: 2024.housedraw@firenet.gov

Acres: Flat Rock – 52,421; Remington – 196,368; Constitution – 24,630; House Draw – 174,547; Silver Spoon – 1,721 Acreage changes may occur due to overnight operations and infrared mapping.

Containment: Flat Rock – 97% Remington – 88%; Constitution – 95%; House Draw – 94%; Silver Spoon – **42% Location**: Flat Rock – 11 miles northwest of Gillette, WY; Remington – 14 miles northeast of Leiter WY, multiple counties in southeast MT; Constitution – 11 miles northeast of Gillette, WY; House Draw – 9 miles southeast of Buffalo, WY; Silver Spoon – 37 miles north of Gillette, WY

Start Date: August 21, 2024 Personnel: 586 Fuels: Grass, brush and timber

Resources: 11 crews | 52 engines | 18 water tenders | Heavy Equipment

Highlights: Thanks to the hard work of firefighting crews and heavy equipment operators on the Flat Rock, Remington, Constitution, House Draw and Silver Spoon fires, over 50% of constructed fireline has been repaired.

Fire Activity: Thunderstorms moving through the area will bring much cooler temperatures, decreasing the chances of new starts. Fire activity is minimal across all fires, with firefighters patrolling firelines, repairing fences and assisting heavy equipment operators with fireline repair. Isolated pockets of trees inside containment lines may create visible smoke but should not pose a threat to firelines.

Silver Spoon – Firefighters on the Silver Spoon Fire spent yesterday scouting for heat sources. Today, crews and engines will patrol firelines and begin mop-up.

Flat Rock – Heavy equipment continued working from the north end of the Flat Rock Fire south along the perimeter to Mongomery Road. Today, crews and equipment will continue working south, and repairing fences where needed.

Remington – Crews worked with heavy equipment to build water bars, and repair firelines and fences along the eastern side of the fire. Today, heavy equipment and crews will continue working south moving toward the southeast corner of the fire.

Constitution – Yesterday, graders worked north to south on the Constitution Fire and are nearing completion of machinery work on the northeast side. Today, heavy equipment will continue working south on the western flank, with crews completing fence repair as needed.

House Draw – Heavy equipment finished up work on the western side of the Horse Draw Fire, south of Interstate 90. Today, crews will continue suppression repair work as graders and other heavy equipment move to the north side of the interstate.

Weather: The fire area will see cloud cover with isolated to scattered showers and thunderstorms. Temperatures will be considerably cooler, dropping into the 70s.

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

- The Custer Gallatin National Forest (Powder River and Rosebud Counties, Montana) implemented road closures within the Remington Fire burned area located on National Forest System lands, effective August 30, 2024. More information available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1202405.pdf.
- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for Custer Gallatin National Forest, Ashland Ranger District (effective August 1, 2024). More information available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/custergallatin/alerts-notices/?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 Wyoming (as of July 9, 2024). More information available at https://wsfd.wyo.gov/fire-management/fire-restrictions.
- Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for Thunder Basin National Grasslands within the Douglas Ranger District in Converse, Campbell, Crook, Natrona, Niobrara, Platte, and Weston counties in the State of Wyoming (as of August 7, 2024). More information available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mbr/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD1199001.
- The Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest implemented a temporary closure of the popular Weston Recreation Area on the Thunder Basin National Grasslands within the Constitution Fire (Johnson County, WY), effective August 23, 2024. More information available at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1201513.pdf.

More Information:

InciWeb (House Draw Fire): https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wyhpd-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/