



Southwest Area Incident Management Team

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Cloudy skies and cooler temperatures aid in minimal fire activity Daily Update September 5, 2024

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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 – 63%

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: 611

Fuels: Grass, brush and timber

Resources: 9 crews | 31 engines | 5 water tenders | Heavy Equipment

Highlights: The Flat Rock, Remington, Constitution, House Draw and Silver Spoon fires exhibited smoldering fire behavior yesterday, due to cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity. Interior pockets of trees will put up smoke until there is significant rain to wet down big logs and stumps.

Fire Activity: Fire activity remains minimal across all fires, allowing firefighters to concentrate on repairing fences and assisting heavy equipment operators with fireline repair. Good progress is being made with just over 12% of fire suppression repair to complete.

Silver Spoon – Firefighters on the Silver Spoon Fire spent yesterday mopping-up any hot spots on the north and south end. Today, crews will continue to mop-up making sure no heat sources remain near the fireline. They are working in steep country, taking their time, which is a slow process.

Flat Rock – Heavy equipment continued working yesterday on the east side of the fire, finishing up some needed dozer line repair. Today, crews will complete the remaining few pieces of fireline repair and any fence repair still needed.

Remington – Crews spent yesterday working along the north end of the fire area to complete fireline suppression and fenceline repair. Crews will move south today, trying to complete fireline suppression and fenceline repair on the southern end of the fire.

Constitution – Yesterday, machinery completed lots of good work on the Constitution Fire and are nearing completion of needed suppression repair work. Today, heavy equipment will finish up the remaining work with crews completing fence repair as needed.

House Draw – Heavy equipment completed suppression repair work on the south end of the House Draw Fire. Today, heavy equipment work will finish up on the north side of the interstate.

Weather: Partly cloudy skies will gradually clear during the morning, allowing sunshine to lower relative humidity slightly compared to yesterday. A warming and drying trend returns through early next week.

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/>