



# Southwest Area Incident Management Team

TEAM 5 – Dave Gesser– INCIDENT COMMANDER



## Crews wrapping up suppression repair activities Daily Update September 6, 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.)

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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 – 92%

**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:** 588

**Fuels:** Grass, brush and timber

**Resources:** 9 crews | 24 engines | 14 water tenders | Heavy Equipment

**Highlights:** This will be the last daily update you will receive from Southwest Area Incident Management Team 5 on the Flat Rock, Remington, Constitution, House Draw and Silver Spoon fires, as well as the last update on the House Draw and Remington inciweb pages. Additionally, the media and fire information phone lines along with the email address will be shut down tonight at 8 pm. today, September 6. To obtain information about these fires going forward, please contact your local agency jurisdiction.

Southwest Area Incident Management Team 5 is grateful to the communities for all the support we have received during our time assisting in the suppression of these fast-moving fires. Team 5 will turn over control of the House Draw, Constitution, Flat Rock, Silver Spoon and Remington fires to local agencies: Wyoming State Forestry Division, BLM Buffalo and Miles City field offices, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest and Thunder Basin National Grassland and Custer Gallatin National Forests, Johnson, Campbell, Sheridan, Powder River, Rosebud and Big Horn counties, and Montana State Department of Natural Resources and Conservation at 6 am, Saturday, September 7, 2024. Local resources are in place to continue to support the communities moving forward.

**Fire Activity:** The Flat Rock, Remington, Constitution, House Draw and Silver Spoon fires showed minimal fire activity yesterday, allowing firefighters to concentrate on repairing fences and assisting heavy equipment operators with fireline repair. As temperatures rise and relative humidity drops, there will be an increase in smoldering and potential interior tree torching which does not pose a threat to firelines.

**Silver Spoon** – Firefighters on the Silver Spoon Fire spent yesterday mopping-up and have been able to contain most of the fire. Today, crews will continue mopping-up along firelines making sure no heat sources remain near the fireline.

**Flat Rock** – Suppression repair work on the Flat Rock Fire has been completed. There will be an engine patrolling the area today.

**Remington** – Crews spent yesterday patrolling along the western side of the fire. Crews will spend today completing excavation work and fence line repair.

**Constitution** – Yesterday, heavy equipment concentrated on grader work, water bars and fencing needs. Today, suppression repair work will occur on the interior of the fire and complete the last of the fencing repairs.

**House Draw** – Yesterday, equipment worked on the north end of the fire, with an excavator doing work along the top end. Crews will concentrate on suppression repair on the interior of the fire today.

**Weather:** Temperatures will begin to climb as the air dries out, and relative humidity drops after thunderstorms passed through the area. Light, variable winds are expected today.

**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](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](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/>