



PACK TRAIL FIRE

Thursday, October 31, 2024 Update

Fire Information Phone: 307-395-2351 8am-8pm Email: 2024.Packtrail@firenet.gov

Next update will be provided Monday, November 4, 2024

People & Equipment: 234 Personnel, 6 Crews, 4 Engines, 1 Helicopter, 5 Heavy Equipment, 3 Ambulances **Current Situation**: The Pack Trail Fire is 89,930 acres, Fire Confinement 84%

Operations – On the north and east sides of the fire, crews continue to prioritize and implement suppression repair activities as road conditions allow. Cold trailing continues along the fire perimeter as safety hazards permit. On the southwestern flank, crews continue to patrol and monitor the fire line from Union Pass to the Strawberry Warming Hut. Additional snowfall along with persistent cold temperatures continue to aid fire suppression efforts.

Safety – Residents and visitors are reminded to exercise extreme caution when dealing with fires or other possible ignition sources. Please use caution while driving in these areas, especially on narrow secondary roads due to snow or ice accumulation. Always expect to encounter fire vehicles and heavy equipment in and around the fire area. Check with WY-DOT for updated road conditions, especially if you are planning to travel on US-26 across the Continental Divide.

"If you fly, we can't." Remember that flying a personal drone over a fire area during a temporary flight restriction is illegal and can be an extremely dangerous threat to our aviators and firefighters on the ground.

Weather—Widespread snow showers are expected to continue through Monday as additional disturbances move across the area and colder air is ushered in. Temperatures through the weekend will be in the low 30s with winds from the west to southwest 9 to 14 mph. Winds could gust as high as 24 mph. Another cold front is predicted to bring additional light snow accumulation to the area. Weather patterns will be seasonal with intermittent precipitation and cool temperatures. The weather forecast is predicted to bring fire-season ending conditions.

Evacuations – The Fremont County Emergency Management Agency has lifted evacuation levels for the Union Pass subdivision, Lava Mountain Lodge, Triangle C Ranch, and Old Mackenzie Ranch, effective October 30, 2024. All evacuation areas within the Pack Trail Fire have been lifted. See the <u>Fremont County Emergency Management Facebook Page</u> or the <u>Teton County Emergency Management website</u> for additional information.

Road Closures – The Union Pass Road is closed on the Pinedale Ranger District (BTNF) from Mosquito Lake to the Moon Lake Road on the Wind River District (SHO). Moon Lake Road is also closed.

Forest Closures - Closure Order #04-03-24-317 is in effect from October 14, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. through November 15, 2024 at 12:00 a.m. unless rescinded. This order supersedes previous orders, including #04-03-24-316, prohibiting the same or similar acts in the same described area.

For more information, visit: **Facebook:** USDA Forest Service - <u>Bridger-Teton National Forest</u>, USDA Forest Service - <u>Shoshone National Forest</u> **Pack Trail Inciweb:** <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wybtf-pack-trail-fire</u>