



PACK TRAIL FIRE

Thursday, October 10, 2024 Update

Fire Information Phone: 307-395-2351 | Email: 2024.Packtrail @firenet.gov

Total Acres: 67,376 Total Personnel: 571 Confined: 60%

Community Meeting TODAY, October 10, 2024 at 6 P.M. at Museum of Military Vehicles in Dubois

Operations – Yesterday, the Pack Trail Fire pushed into the area of Cowboy Camp, Strawberry Warming Hut and Fish Creek Guard Station near Union Pass Road. In addition to the sprinklers already in the area, retardant was dropped from aircraft to protect structures and slow the fire’s spread. Today crews will continue to build primary and secondary holding lines near the 553 road, and scout for natural and indirect holding features. The west side continues to slowly back down Burnt Ridge. Firefighters continue to install structure protection at Elk Track Ranch and in the Gros Ventre area. On the east side, firefighters reported calm fire behavior overnight. They continue to clean up and cool down the successful small tactical firing operation completed to protect the 540 road. Sprinklers and structure protection continue to be implemented in the Long Valley, Teton Youth Camp and Union Pass Subdivision areas. On the north side, there was no new fire activity, but some heat remains in the interior and smoke may be visible. Crews continue to patrol the area checking for new smoke and growth.

Safety - Drivers on US-26 may experience periods of smoke today due to high winds. Please use caution while driving, use headlights, and expect to encounter fire vehicles along the road. If planning travel on US-26 across the Continental Divide monitor WY-DOT for possible closures due to fire activity.

Teton Interagency Fire managers are maintaining the [Very High Fire Danger Rating](#) for Grand Teton National Park, the Bridger-Teton National Forest, and the National Elk Refuge. Due to excessively dry fuels, any spark can ignite fire which can spread rapidly, becoming a large fire and exhibit extreme fire intensity. Residents and visitors are urged to exercise extreme caution with fire or possible ignition sources. Always build your campfires away from dry grass, leaves, and overhanging branches to reduce the risk of spreading wildfire. Clear at least a 10-foot perimeter around your fire, removing any flammable material, and make sure your fire is dead out and cool to touch before you go to sleep, or leave the area.

Weather – Last night the winds were calm, humidity recovered to 70% and the temperature was between 30-43 degrees. Today will be smoky, partly cloudy, and windy with wind gusts up to 32 MPH. Temperature in the mid 60s, humidity 19-24% and wind speeds from 10-14MPH from the west/southwest. To learn more about air quality, visit [Fire.AirNow.Gov](#).

Road Closures – Union Pass Road is closed from 531 Road to 370625 Road for firefighter safety.

Evacuations – The Upper Gros Ventre area (Goosewing and Elk Track Ranches) in Teton County have been put into a Level 2 “Set” Evacuation Warning. Evacuations and evacuation alerts for several subdivisions and ranches in Fremont County, WY remain in place. See the [Fremont County Emergency Management Facebook Page](#) for alerts and updates. See the [Teton County Emergency Management website](#) updates and to sign up for emergency alerts through Everbridge.

Forest Closures - Closure Order #04-03-24-316 is in effect from October 9, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. through November 1, 2024 at 6:00 a.m. unless rescinded. This order supersedes previous orders, including #04-03-24-315, prohibiting the same or similar acts in the same described area.

For more information, visit: **Facebook:** USDA Forest Service - [Bridger-Teton National Forest](#), USDA Forest Service - [Shoshone National Forest](#) **Pack Trail Inciweb:** <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/wybtbf-pack-trail-fire>