



Crooked Creek Fire Wildfire Fact Sheet

Friday, June 25, 2021 at 8:00PM



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Location: 25 miles east of Bridger, Montana

Incident Command: Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team 4, Brian Jenkins – Incident Commander

Size: 3,922 acres

Containment: 32%

Personnel: 246

Overview: The Crooked Creek Fire is located near the southern border of the Crow Indian Reservation in the Pryor Mountains on the Custer Gallatin National Forest. Fire Information is combined for both the Robertson Draw Fire and Crooked Creek Fire.

Current Status: Firefighters continued to patrol and monitor the south side of the fire along containment lines. On the north side the heavy equipment task force continued to work on a shaded fuel break through timbered areas near the Sage Creek Road. Around the northeast corner and along the east side of the fire crews continued construction of a combination of direct and indirect hand lines where safe to do so. There are a couple of locations where indirect line has been built in anticipation of potential small burnout operations that might be done in a couple of days to secure the fire's edge. Firefighters continued to monitor for any threat to the Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range southeast of the fire. The fire is not currently impacting the wild horse herd. The south side of the fire did receive some rain today as scattered thunderstorms moved through the fire area.

Planned Actions: Firefighters will continue to patrol and monitor for hot spots on the south side of the fire. The heavy equipment task force which consists of a dozer, feller buncher, and skidder will continue working on the shaded fuel break along the north side in timber stands. On the east side crews will continue to construct direct and indirect line moving both from both the south and north. Firefighters will be staffing in several locations and will continue to mop up hot spots or pockets of heat along the fire line.

Pre-Evacuation Warning: The Carbon County Sheriff's Office has issued a pre-evacuation warning notice for twenty-five primary residences in the Sage Creek area.

Closures: All the Custer Gallatin National Forest lands northeast of Forest Road 2308 and east of Forest Road 2085 are under a Forest Closure Order and temporarily closed to public use. All BLM lands in the north Pryor Mountains within Township 8 South, Range 28 East and the entirety of Sykes Ridge Road in Carbon County, Montana are also under a BLM Closure Order and temporarily closed to public use.

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR): A TFR is in place for air space over the Crooked Creek Fire (FDC 1/7699) to provide a safe environment for firefighting aircraft operating in the area. Remember that temporary flight restrictions also apply to unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or drones. **If you fly, we can't!**

Primary and Cooperating Agencies: USFS, BLM, BIA-Crow Agency, Carbon County Sheriff's Office, DES, Big Horn County Sheriff's Office, NPS-Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area