



FACT SHEET

Wall Fire

**Sunday, June 19, 2016
8:00 PM**

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What: Wildland Fire
Location: 25 miles southwest of Ashland, MT
Started: Saturday, June 18, 2016
Current Size: 1,535 acres
Containment: 40%
Ownership: Private and Bureau of Land Management land
Jurisdiction: Rosebud County and Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Narrative: A lookout tower reported the fire on Saturday at 12:48pm. Firefighters from Rosebud County, Powder River County, BLM and US Forest Service were immediately dispatched for initial attack. The fire started on private land and moved to BLM. Steep terrain and thick Juniper trees accelerated fire growth on Saturday and Sunday.

The Department of Natural Resource and Conservation County Assist Team (DNRC), Incident Commander, David Hamilton will assume command and management of this fire tomorrow at 6:00 a.m. The team, in partnership with federal and local agencies, is implementing a full suppression strategy to put the fire out as safely and quickly as possible.

The fire has potential to spread southeast and northeast. The fire actively burned throughout the evening on Saturday and into the early morning. The vegetation is primarily Juniper with mixed Ponderosa, grass, and brush.

Current resources on the fire: 13 engines, 1 water tender, 3 dozers, 2 Hotshot crews, 1 Type II Initial Attack crew, and 2 helicopters. More resources have been ordered and should arrive Monday. Air support is available out of Miles City and Billings if needed.

Agencies Involved: Rosebud County, DNRC, and BLM

Special Concerns: SAFETY of firefighters and the public is the number one priority.

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