

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Royal Gorge Fire
Friday, June 15, 2013, 9:00 p.m.

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Continued Progress on the Royal Gorge Fire

Cañon City, Colo. – There was no growth on the Royal Gorge Fire today. Fire crews were able to complete line construction on the south and west portions of the fire. The fire is 85 percent contained as of this evening.

Forty-eight commercial structures were destroyed during the Royal Gorge Fire. All of the structures were owned by the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. No residential structures were lost.

Sunday, fire crews will continue with mop-up as needed in order to contain the fire to current control lines. Resources will continue to demobilize from this incident tomorrow, and become available to assist other areas impacted by wildfires in Colorado and around the nation.

Early notification during wildfires and other emergencies is critical to provide adequate warning to the public during these events. Alert Fremont is an emergency notification system operated by the Fremont County E 9-1-1 Authority and used by law enforcement, fire districts, and other local governmental agencies to issue government related messages to residents and businesses throughout Fremont County. Information about registering your wireless phone number to be part of the notification database is available on the Fremont County website (<http://www.fremontco.com>).

Royal Gorge Fire Statistics at a Glance:

- **Time/Date Started:** June 11, 2013 approximately 1 p.m.
- **Location:** Fremont County, Colorado
- **Cause:** Under Investigation
- **Fuels:** Piñon-Juniper, Sage Brush
- **Size:** 3,218 acres
- **Containment:** 85%
- **Resources Committed:** 333 personnel including - Rocky Mountain Area Incident Management Team B, 1 Type-1 crew, 7 Type-2 crews, 1 Type-1 helicopter, 1 Type 3-helicopter, 15 engines, and 3 water tenders

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