



Beaver Creek Fire

August 31, 2016, 9:00 am

Beaver Creek at a Glance...

Location:

24 miles north of Walden, Colorado

Started: 6/19/16. The cause of the fire is being actively investigated.

Beaver Creek Fire Size:

37571 acres

Containment:

53%

Resources:

232 firefighters, 1 crew, 15 engines, 2 dozers, 4 helicopters, 4 water tenders

Hunting and Closure Information:

For closure information on the Beaver Creek Fire, visit:

<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4797/>

For all other hunting questions contact Colorado Parks and Wildlife at (970) 819-3150 or Wyoming Game and Fish at (307)745-4046.



Smoke column from Broadway Fire on Tuesday.

Broadway Fire

Strong winds fueled an increase in fire activity on the Broadway Fire Tuesday afternoon and pushed the fire across the 496 road starting seven small spot fires, all within 100 feet of the road. The spots were detected by infrared Tuesday night and will be checked this morning. The fire is now estimated to be around 700 acres. An infrared flight to do more accurate mapping will not happen until tonight. Firefighters and equipment working on the west side of the Broadway Fire, disengaged from the fireline as a precaution.

The gusty east wind increased activity on the whole fire Tuesday, resulting in a large plume of smoke late in the day. Helicopters were used to assist with several small spot fires to the north of the fire. On Wednesday, firefighters will be assessing the spot fires and any additional growth, but do not expect to reengage in fuels mitigation work along the 496 Road until fire behavior in that area decreases. Wednesday will continue to be warm and dry with winds forecast to increase again on Thursday and an increased chance of precipitation is not expected until later in the week.

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Fire activity on the northwest portion of the Beaver Creek Fire also increased with Tuesday's sun and wind. Helicopters conducted water drops near the 408 Road to minimize any additional growth to the north. The fire continues to move slightly into the wilderness area on the west and southwest portion of the fire. Firefighters are monitoring that fire activity, but are focusing their efforts where they can have a higher probability of success.

On the eastern side of the fire, firefighters continue to patrol the area for signs of fire activity and smoke. Helicopters conducting water drops were used Tuesday to cool hot spots and minimize fire growth. Helicopters will continue to conduct water drops on Wednesday to hold and maintain the fire while crews will continue to assess any structure protection needs. The suppression repair task force, which has been working in this area, will remain engaged in reducing the impacts from the initial fire suppression activities until that work meets agency standards.

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