



Beaver Creek Fire

September 2, 2016, 9:00 am

Fires at a Glance...

Broadway Fire

Location: 30 miles NNW of Walden, CO

Started: 8/14/16

Cause: Lightning

Size: 615 acres

Containment: 0%

Resources:

77 firefighters, 2 crews, 3 engines, 1 dozer, 3 water tenders

Beaver Creek Fire

Location: 24 miles N of Walden, CO

Started: 6/19/16.

Cause: Under investigation

Size: 37,627 acres

Containment: 60%

Resources:

195 firefighters, 1 crew, 12 engines, 2 dozers, 4 helicopters, 1 water tender

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.



Public Meeting in Encampment, WY

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Helicopters were successful in their efforts to contain several hot spots on the west side of Road 496 on Thursday. At the same time, firefighters were introducing fire on the east side of the road to eliminate fuels between Road 496 and the western edge of the Broadway Fire. Helicopters equipped with a plastic sphere dispenser (PSD), are used to drop ping pong-like balls that ignite shortly after hitting the ground. This type of aerial ignition is used in locations that are difficult for fighters to access on the ground. Using a combination of aerial ignition and firefighters, burn out along the road was completed Thursday to reduce the chances of the fire crossing Road 496 again. Chipping of excess fuels will also resume along Road 496.

It is expected that the current U.S. Forest Service Fire Closure (MBRTB-2016-237) will be revised to include areas west of the Broadway Fire and east of the Encampment River Wilderness. When available, updated closure information will be posted on both the Broadway and Beaver Creek Fire Inciweb pages.

The temporary flight restriction (TFR) that has been in place was expanded to the west on Thursday to include Hog Park Reservoir. A TFR is a restriction on an area of airspace due to the presence of firefighting aircraft. The TFR is posted at http://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_6_6531.html. Boaters planning to use Hog Park Reservoir should note that the west side is closed off due to helicopters dipping water.

Fire activity is expected to be moderate today due to higher relative humidity and an increase in cloud cover. Both the Broadway and Beaver Creek Fire did receive some precipitation early this morning. There is a slight chance of thunderstorms, but they are expected to move through the area quickly.

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Firefighters, with the assistance of helicopters, worked to minimize areas of increased fire activity on Thursday. On the northern portions of the Beaver Creek Fire, crews focused much of their effort on the north side of Road 498. Today, firefighters will continue structure protection, as well as evaluating future risks. Helicopter operations will continue to address areas of concern as needed and as weather conditions permit. Suppression repair efforts have been successful in returning portions of the Beaver Creek Fire to nearly pre-fire conditions.

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