

# Burro Fire Update



Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team- Dan Dallas, Incident Commander

Information Center hours of operation: 8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

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## Current Situation:

Heavy rain fell over the Burro Fire area overnight and as a result, minimal fire activity is expected, at least for the next few days. Over one-inch of rain was recorded at a mobile weather station near the firefighter’s camp close to the fire. “The rain is certainly welcome,” says Incident Commander Dan Dallas, “but it will take even more consistent moisture to completely put this out.” Firefighters will use this lull in fire activity to strengthen fire lines. Where they can do so safely, they will also directly engage and extinguish the fire’s leading edges. A bulldozer line on the fire’s southwest flank was mostly completed yesterday but work will continue to remove salvageable timber from the berms and make improvements such as erosion control features.

**Weather:** The rain is expected to diminish after noon today when the remnants of ex-Hurricane Bud move out of the area. Conditions are expected to dry out rapidly tonight and Monday with above normal temperatures predicted later in the week. Highs Monday in the fire area will be between 58-62 with light winds.

**Closures and Public Safety:** US Highway 550 between Durango and Silverton opened this morning at 8 A.M. Highway 145 to Rico and over Lizard Head Pass remains open. The Dolores/Norwood road is also open. Current road conditions can always be found at [www.cotrip.org](http://www.cotrip.org). The San Juan National Forest remains closed but other nearby public lands, including Canyons of the Ancients National Monument and Mesa Verde National Park, remain open. McPhee Reservoir remains open for boating but no shoreline activity. Any changes to closures or fire restrictions will be shared on the fire’s Inciweb page and on the San Juan National Forest web page, as well as local government web pages.

Fire Statistics								
	<i>Location</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>Percent Contained</i>	<i>Total Personnel</i>	<i>Cause</i>	<i>Resources Included</i>	<i>Helicopters</i>
<b>Burro Fire</b>	14 miles south of Rico, CO	June 8, 2018	3,715	12	152	Under investigation	1 Type 1 hand crew, 2 Type 2 hand crews, 2 engines, 1 dozer, 1 water tender	

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