



CLIFF CREEK FIRE

July 31, 2016

UPDATE



Contact Fire Information: **844-708-7666** Hours: 7a.m. - 7 p.m.

Date of Detection: July 17, 2016

Current Size: 28,385 acres

Location: 5 Miles North of Bondurant Wyoming

Legal Description: 43 x 14 x 21 Latitude, 110 x 29 x 28 Longitude

Cause: Lightning

Containment: 68%

Resources on Fire: There are currently 690 personnel on this incident, including the following resources:

CREWS	TYPE 1 HELICOPTERS (HEAVY)	TYPE 2 HELICOPTERS (MED.)	TYPE 3 HELICOPTERS (LIGHT)	ENGINES	DOZERS
17	5	1	4	20	2

There will be a Community Meeting in Bondurant on Monday, August 1, 2016 at 6:00 pm. at the Fire Station.

On Highway 189/191, for the SAFETY of the firefighters and highway travelers, no passing is allowed in passing zones and no stopping along the roadway or parking in pullouts within the fire area.

- The Cliff Creek fire was discovered on the Bridger-Teton National Forest at 2:30pm on Sunday, July 17, approximately 5 miles north of the town of Bondurant Wyoming.
- Great Basin Incident Command Team 7 is managing the fire.
- The fire is being actively suppressed with a mixture of ground crews and aerial resources. Where fire is moving towards the Gros Ventre Wilderness and the Shoal Creek Wilderness Study Area, fire will be permitted to play, as nearly as possible, its natural ecological role in the wilderness.
- Fire objectives include keeping the fire south and east of the Granite Creek Drainage bottom and north of Dell and Jack Creek.
- As the fire line in the Granite Creek Drainage becomes more secure, resources will be moved to other areas on the fire.
- The firefighters are planning to continue burnouts in the southeast portion of the fire. A burnout is setting fire inside a control line to consume fuel between the edge of the fire and the control line. Often referred to as "fighting fire with fire," the controlled burn will burn strip(s) of vegetation to create a barrier to the oncoming by using up all the available fuel between the burnout and the fire. It may take firefighters several days to complete the burnout operation. During burnout operations, the public can expect to see an increase in smoke coming from the fire area.
- Teton County Emergency Management issued a mandatory evacuation order for the Granite Creek area including Granite Campground, Granite Hot Springs, Jack Pine Summer Homes, and the Safari Club.
- The Bridger-Teton National Forest has instituted an Emergency Area Closure, Order #04-03-560. Kozy and Granite Campgrounds are within this area closure.

For more information on the Cliff Creek Fire, visit Teton Interagency Fire Dispatch at www.TetonFires.com and the InciWeb page, <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4865/>.

For related evacuation information, visit Teton County Emergency Management at <http://www.tetonwyo.org/em/> and Facebook pages updated by Sublette County Emergency Management at <https://www.facebook.com/Sublette-County-Emergency-Management-579372758805868/?fref=nf> and Bridger Teton National Forest Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BridgerTetonNF/>

Wildland Fire and Incident Management Definition of the Day:

Spotting: Behavior of a fire producing sparks or embers that are carried by the wind and which start new fires beyond the zone of direct ignition by the main fire.