



Rocky Mountain Blue Team

Twin Lakes Fire

August 13, 2016, Morning Update

Fire Size:
969 acres

Containment:
0% contained

Resources:
4 Crews, 2 Dozers, 14 Engines, 3
Water Tenders, 5 Helicopters, and 1
Air Attack Aircraft

Total Personnel:
165

Location:
19 miles South/Southwest of
Meeteetse, WY

Started:
08/08/16. Cause of the fire is yet to
be determined.

Management:
Rocky Mountain Type 2 Blue Team

Summary:

Suppression efforts continue on the Twin Lakes Fire. Yesterday's light rain helped dampen fire behavior. Two Hot Shot Crews built and strengthened hand lines along the western flank in an effort to contain the fire. Additional crews constructed fire line along the fire's eastern flank with assistance from bucket drops by 3 helicopters.

Weather today will be similar to yesterday. Forecasts predict a partly cloudy outlook, with the possibility of slightly warmer and dryer conditions. With these conditions fire behavior is expected to remain less active. Firefighters will strengthen existing lines, mop up areas where fire line has been constructed, and scout for areas where operations can be safely implemented with a high probability of success.

For firefighter and public safety the Bureau of Land Management Worland Field Office, in conjunction with Hot Springs County, has temporarily closed Grass Creek Road above the junction of Little Grass Creek Road and Enos Creek Road.

Today is a day of transition from the more local Type III Incident Management Organization to the Rocky Mountain Incident Management Type II Blue Team. Incoming Incident Commander Jay Esperance commended the local resources for all their hard work. "The Type III Team did an exceptional job with initial attack. We hope to build upon of their successes."

In this morning's briefing, Incident Commander Esperance discussed the work that has been done thus far, and detailed the plan for today's operations. He stressed the importance of safety saying, "Safety of all incident personnel and the public will be at the forefront of all our decisions and actions. We will engage the fire only when and where we can do so safely."

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