



Rocky Mountain Blue Team

Twin Lakes Fire

August 14, 2016, Evening Update

Fire Size:

1,007 acres

Containment:

15% contained

Resources:

11 Crews, 2 Dozers, 23 Engines, 6 Water Tenders, 6 Helicopters, and 1 Air Attack Aircraft

Total Personnel:

440

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:

Firefighters prepared four sections along the fire's northwest boundary for burning operations. This is accomplished by establishing a secure containment line some distance from the edge of the fire. Then setting fires, which burn from the containment line, back to the main body of the fire. Using this technique, firefighters create a wide band of thoroughly burned land at the edge of the fire, creating containment line.

During today's burning operations crews were able to complete burning in the two most westerly sections of the operation. This work was completed successfully and safely. Areas of heavy dead timber that had posed a threat to containment have been burned out, and now will serve as a barrier to the spread of the fire.

Tomorrow the burn operations will continue. Firefighters intend to burn the remaining two sections along the northwest area of the fire. While burning, the firefighters will continue to closely monitor for spot fires across the line.

Active fire behavior was observed in the interior of the northeastern section of the fire. This is good news for fire suppression, as it is consuming partially burned sections of fuel inside the fire area, leaving nothing that could reignite and pose a threat in the future.

Preparation is underway for burning along additional sections of the northeastern perimeter. Bulldozers and hand crews will construct line that they can burn from, with the goal of completely containing and fully suppressing the fire.

Crews are working along the western and southern flanks of the fire to suppress hot spots and build containment line. They will continue to make sure the fire is completely out so that this area can be added to the amount of contained perimeter.

Weather forecasts for tomorrow call for slightly cooler temperatures, higher relative humidity, and light winds, all of which will help firefighters to achieve their objectives for suppression activities.

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