

**DAILY UPDATE: Cow Camp Fire**

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Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team C

Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



**Firefighters Prepare for Weather Event, Red Flag Conditions,  
and Road Closures are in place**

**Key Facts**

- **A road block will be in place on the Fletcher Park Road at the junction of Fish Creek, Rabbit Creek, and Fletcher Park Road, the Cottonwood Park Road will be blocked at the Junction of Cottonwood Park and Harris Park Road, and at Cottonwood Park Road at its' junction with Palmer Canyon Road .**
- **The public should be aware that there are multiple road closures in the area. Albany County Sheriff's Deputies and U.S. Forest Service staff will be patrolling roads.**
- Acreage has increased to 8,196 acres due to the burnout operation that occurred yesterday and containment remains at 50 percent.
- Presently there are 363 personnel assigned to the incident including nine hand crews, one Type I helicopter, two Type III helicopters, and four Single Engine Airtankers.

**Wheatland, WY-**

High winds associated with an incoming cold front will test fire lines and the perimeter of the Cow Camp Fire on Saturday. A Red Flag Warning has been issued by the National Weather Service for the fire area in North Albany County, WY, and could begin affecting suppression operations by mid-morning due to extreme fire weather conditions.

Wind speeds are forecasted at 25-30 mph sustained with gusts exceeding 40 mph throughout the day moving from the southwest. Temperatures will increase into the high 80's today with relative humidity less than 10 percent as a warm front passes. Early this evening a cold front will pass causing winds to change 180 degrees to a northeasterly direction.

Saturday will be a challenging day in the efforts to contain the fire which has been burning near Laramie Peak for nearly a week. If winds materialize as expected, firefighter safety could become a concern prohibiting firefighters from entering the interior due to falling trees and poor visibility from blowing ash.

"Conditions on the ground are similar to those that we normally see in August," said Al Stover, Fire Behavior Analyst, "Despite those dry fuels; we have made significant progress in the last few days."

Firefighters will continue to work along the fire edge looking for hot spots and building fire line along the perimeter.

The fire can be followed on InciWeb.org or on Twitter, @MBRNFsTBNG, hashtag #CowCampFire.

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**Media Notes:** Media in the area are requested to stop in at Incident Command Post (ICP), located at Fish Creek Road (County Road 114) or call Beth Hermanson at 605-381-7232.