



UPPER COLORADO RIVER FIRE MANAGEMENT UNIT

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BLM-NORTHWEST DISTRICT
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USFS-WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST



Bocco Fire Information

Jeremy Spetter -Incident Commander
Sunday June 10, 2018

Strong response limits initial spread of Bocco Fire; critical fire weather Sunday

Fire: Bocco Fire	Containment: 0%
Acres: 415	Start Date: June 9,
2018	
Cause: Unknown	Location: 3 miles NW of Wolcott,
CO	
Total Personnel: 140	Fuels/Topography: Pinyon/Juniper, brushy
fuels	

Summary: Within two hours of an initial smoke report in the Bocco Hill area on Saturday June 9th, five tankers and multiple other air and ground resources responded to the Bocco Fire located three miles northwest of Wolcott, CO. Overnight handcrews successfully held the fire to the west of Highway 131. Today, with the return of critical fire weather conditions, firefighters and multiple air resources will continue to build fireline and engage the fire when it is safe to do so. However, predicted single digit humidity and high winds could lead to rapid fire growth and extreme fire behavior. Firefighters will use existing roads, dozer lines, water drops and natural features wherever possible to limit future fire spread in the area.

“A great initial response from federal, state, and local partners limited growth in important recreation and sage grouse habitat areas,” said Gloria Tibbetts, Acting Field Manager of the BLM Colorado River Valley Field Office. “In the face of critical fire weather, we’ll continue to put firefighter and public safety first- engaging the fire where we can safely do so to stop its spread.”

Responders on Saturday June 9th included Eagle County, Greater Eagle Fire Protection District, Eagle River Fire Protection District, Gypsum Fire Protection District, Vail Fire Department, Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control, USDA Forest Service, and Bureau of Land Management.

Smoke: Smoke from today's fire activity will spread to the east along the I-70 corridor. For more information on smoke and air quality please visit:
https://www.colorado.gov/airquality/colo_advisory.aspx

Evacuations: Effective immediately, and extending until further notice, Eagle County Emergency Officials have issued an evacuation order for all persons living, working, or travelling in the vicinity of Alkali Creek Neighborhood. This area is at immediate risk from wildfire. Please follow the Eagle County Sheriff's Office for up to date information on the status of evacuations by searching @EagleCountySO on facebook or twitter.

There are approximately 37 structures threatened to the north of the fire including homes, outbuildings, and ranch infrastructure. There have been no reported loss or damages to structures at this time.

Closures: Highway 131 is currently open, but may close if needed for fire suppression efforts and public safety. Access to the Eagle County Landfill will remain open even if Highway 131 is closed.

Fire Information:

Inciweb: inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5835

Text Message: text "follow EagleCountySO" to 40404

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Fire Information Phone: 970-414-0843

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