



# Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit



For Immediate Release  
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## **Spring Creek Fire Estimated To Be 250 Acres 11:00 a.m.**

Rangely, CO – Additional crews have arrived to fight the Spring Creek Fire; four hot shot crews and one type 2 crew. Two helicopters and three air tankers are working the incident today.

The main objective is to keep the fire from crossing County Road 103, and reaching more power lines. Light winds are currently out of the east which will aid in slowing the advance of the fire towards County Road 103. The fire remained active last night.

The fire which started on private land is now burning on Bureau of Land Management public land in a mix of sagebrush, pinyon and juniper trees and small stands of Douglas Fir.

The Spring Creek Fire is eight miles south east of Rangely in Rio Blanco County. The blaze started around 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, in a canyon bottom on the East Fork of Spring Creek.

A local type three incident management team has been mobilized to manage the fire. About 140 fire personnel are assigned to this incident.

Resources assigned to the incident are from Rio Blanco County, Rangely Rural Fire Protection District, United States Forest Service, BLM, and Colorado State Forest Service.

Three structures, oil and gas infrastructure, and a White River Electric power line are threatened. The cause is under investigation.

Current fire information is available at 970-826-5108.

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