



Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit



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Allred Fire Update 7:00 p.m.

Maybell, CO – Incident Commander Dale Beckerman reported minimal fire activity and no perimeter growth today. Reassessment of the fire boundary is 2,500 acres.

Smoke today was from Interior islands of unburned vegetation igniting. Natural barriers, like bare ground, and sparse fuels aided in keeping the fire from advancing. The fire area received sustained winds of five to ten miles per hour with gusts up to 20 mph. Low fire activity is expected tomorrow with similar weather conditions forecast.

Crews worked the critical portions of the fire while air tankers held areas the crews could not access. Diligent efforts by the personnel on this incident resulted in 50% containment by this afternoon and full containment expected Thursday evening.

Size: 2,500 acres

Start Date: Monday, August 3, 4:00 p.m.

Location: 20 miles west of Maybell, Moffat County

Cause: Lightning

Land Involved: Bureau of Land Management and private

Agencies/departments involved: Moffat County Road and Bridge and Sheriff Department; BLM; National Park Service; and Fish and Wildlife Service

Fuels/vegetation: Ponderosa Pine; piñon and juniper trees; sagebrush; grass

Threatened: no structures threatened

Containment: 50% **Full Containment:** Thursday, August 6

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Note: Next update will be issued tomorrow late afternoon- check fire information line at 970-826-5096

