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BLM Colorado issues public land closure in Garfield County for firefighting activities

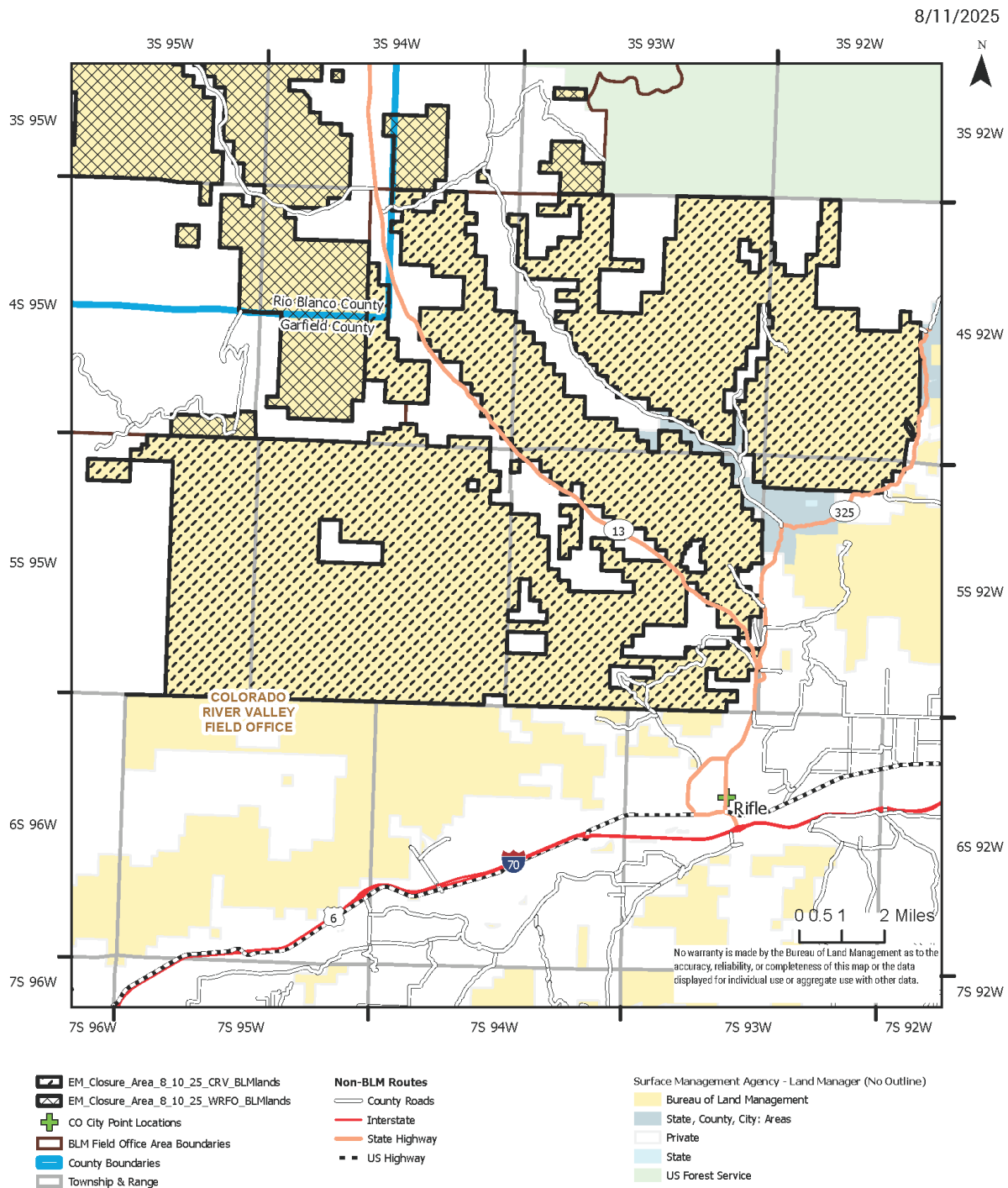
GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — Today, the Bureau of Land Management issued an order closing BLM-managed public lands in Garfield County because of the Lee Fire. BLM issued the emergency closure to keep the public and firefighters safe while fire activity is in the area. The order is effective immediately and the closure will remain until fire managers declare the Lee Fire controlled or BLM rescinds the order.

Please refer to the map on the following page and closure order (on the [BLM website](#)) for detailed information on the lands that are closed.

The temporary closing of the lands is to reduce exposure to hazardous situations due to the recent, rapid rates of spread and fire behavior of the Lee Fire. The public is to remain clear of these closed lands. Please use caution and watch for firefighters when traveling in the area.

Violations of this emergency order may lead to prosecution, with fines and possible imprisonment.

We appreciate your understanding as we prioritize safety and resource integrity during this critical time. For more information, please call the Colorado River Valley Field Office front desk at 970-876-9000.



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