



# Northwest Colorado Fire Management Unit



For Immediate Release  
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## **Allred Fire About 1,200 Acres 9:00 p.m.**

Maybell, CO – Lightning sparked a fire around 4:00 p.m. this afternoon, twenty miles west of Maybell in western Moffat County on the east end of Douglas Mountain. The fire is estimated to be 1,200 acres burning on primarily Bureau of Land Management public land.

The fire initially burned Ponderosa Pine and then moved into piñon and juniper trees. Intense fire behavior was observed in the dense stands as flames raced through the crowns of the trees in an easterly direction. Warm, windy conditions have continued to dry vegetation in this area increasing the potential for large fire growth.

Agencies responding to this incident are: Moffat County Sheriff Department; Maybell Volunteer Fire Department; Craig Fire and Rescue; BLM; National Park Service; Fish and Wildlife Service; and State of Colorado.

Assigned to the fire today are: two type 1 crews; one type 2 crew; four engines; one water tender; two helicopters; three single engine air tankers; and five smoke jumpers. Another type 1 crew is expected Tuesday morning and other resources are on order.

No structures are threatened.

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