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Teton Interagency and Sublette County Unified Firefighters Respond to Shoal Creek Fire

Bondurant WY– Teton Interagency Fire along with Sublette County Unified Fire responded Sunday afternoon to the Shoal Creek Fire and began suppression efforts. The fire was reported on the Big Piney Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest near Shoal Creek drainage in Hoback Canyon. As of Monday morning, the size of the fire is estimated to be around 25 acres.

Discovery Date: August 30, 2020

Cause: Under Investigation

Location: Big Piney Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest near Shoal Creek drainage in Hoback Canyon, near the 2016 Cliff Creek Fire burn scar.

Current Resources: 7 engines, 1 helicopter, 1 water tender, and various management personnel from Teton Interagency Fire and Sublette County Unified Fire. Total personnel approximately 35 people.

Size: 25 acres

Fuel: Light timber, grass, and sage

The perimeter of the Shoal Creek Fire is burning fully within the 2016 Cliff Creek burn scar. Due to this burn scar, the potential for growth is minimal. Firefighting resources responding to the Shoal Creek Fire included seven engines, one helicopter, one water tender, and various management personnel from Teton Interagency Fire and Sublette County Unified Fire. A 20-person Interagency Hot Shot crew will be arriving later today (Monday 8/31/20).

Power outages occurred for residents from Camp Creek in Teton County to the Upper Green River Valley in Sublette County. Power has been restored to all effected by this outage.

The cause of the Shoal Creek Fire is under investigation. There are currently no closures in place related to the fire. Updates on the fire will be provided as additional information becomes available.

Red Flag warnings were in effect Sunday with winds gusting up to 30 miles per hour. On Monday, lighter winds, cooler temperatures, and a chance of precipitation is expected.





Restrictions: The Bridger-Teton National Forest has implemented Stage 1 Fire Restrictions. These restrictions allow fires only in developed campgrounds and picnic areas in approved structures along with the Teton and Gros Ventre Wilderness. Please note that fires are prohibited in the Bridger Wilderness and all dispersed campsites under this order.

Even with rain in the forecast it is important to remain vigilant. Months of dry, windy conditions have cured forest vegetation allowing fires to start easily and spread rapidly. Check the Teton Interagency Fire website at www.tetonfires.com for the latest information about fire restrictions. If you are camping in an area where fires are allowed and you choose to have one, ensure your fire is 'dead out' before leaving the site. This means cold to the touch, "if it's too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave."

To report a wildfire please contact Teton Interagency Dispatch Center at 307.739.3630.

