

## **Bridger-Teton National Forest**



## **STATUS - AUGUST 20, 2024**

Start Date: Friday, August 16, 2024	Start Time: 1:52 p.m.
Incident Type: Wildland Fire	Cause: Lightning
Size: 3,207 acres	Containment: 0%
Expected Containment: October 1, 2024	Terrain: Heavy Timber, Litter, Understory, and
	Standing Dead Engelmann Spruce
Location: Approx 7 miles SW of Togwotee Pass	Total Personnel: 71

## **CURRENT SITUATION**

A Wyoming Type 3 Incident Management Team (IMT) took command of the Fish Creek Fire on Tuesday, August 20. A Type 3 IMT is brought in for fires that exceed the resources a forest has available. Crews are utilizing a containment strategy, utilizing open drainages, previous fire burn scars and natural features for barriers.

**Weather & Fire Behavior:** Thunderstorms with variable gusty winds are expected which could affect fire behavior and growth. Smoke from the fire has been visible from Grand Teton National Park, the Continental Divide Trail (CDT) as well as Moran, Dubois, Jackson and Pinedale, WY. Smoke from the fire may impact US HWY 26/287. Drivers are encouraged to travel with their headlights on for safety. The Fish Creek fire has not been the only fire contributing to the smoke in the air. Smoke from fires in Canada as well as Idaho and the Northwest have been a steady influence across the area. Visit *https://fire.airnow.gov* to check current air quality.

**Planned Actions:** Additional resources have been ordered to help suppress the fire, including a helicopter, helitack crew, 6 fire engines, and medical personnel. Fire managers and crews continue to scout potential control line locations and protect resources.

**Area, Road, and Trail Closures:** Fish Creek Fire Area, Road & Trail Closure Order #04-03-24-309. To read the full closure, visit *https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-closures/wybtf-fish-creek-fire*. There is a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) in place over the Fish Creek Fire area for the safety of aviation resources.

## Ready, Set, Go!

Fremont County: *https://www.fremontcountywy.org/government/departments/emergency\_management/index.php*; Teton County: *https://www.tetoncountywy.gov/1846/Ready-Set-GO*