

News Release

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BLM Fighting Wildfire on Palmer Canyon Road

The Bureau of Land Management High Desert District Rawlins field Office, in coordination with Albany County and Platte County are fighting a wildfire on Palmer Canyon Road; 16 miles west southwest of Wheatland, Wyoming, which has burned an estimated 231 acres.

The public is urged to use caution or avoid the area since fire behavior can change and fire spread is unpredictable if high winds develop.

The cause of the wildfire is lightning. The fire is burning in grass and timber.

Firefighting resources include: State of Wyoming Type 3 helicopter, Type 1 helicopter, State of Wyoming Type 2 crew and 1 IHC crew, 1 Type 3 Laramie County engine, 2 Type 4 Federal engines, 1 Type 6 Federal engine, miscellaneous overhead.

Updated information can be found by contacting the Albany County Dispatch Center or Rawlins Dispatch Center at 1-800-295-9953.

Please report all wildfires immediately to the Rawlins Dispatch Center at 1-800-295-9953 or to emergency 911.

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