

## **News Release**

BLM Wyoming Rawlins Field Office

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## **BLM Fighting Wildfire in Carbon County**

The Bureau of Land Management High Desert District Rawlins Field Office is fighting a wildfire on Ferris Mountain in Carbon County, which has burned an estimated 1.5 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 unknown. If anyone has any information please contact the BLM Fire Management Officer, Frank Keeler, at 307-352-0256.

The fire is burning in timber with grass understory.

Initial attack firefighting resources included: two BLM engines, one BLM helicopter and a helitack crew.

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

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to manage and conserve the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations under our mandate of multiple-use and sustained yield. In Fiscal Year 2015, the BLM generated \$4.1 billion in receipts from activities occurring on public lands.

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