



# Robertson Draw Fire

## Wildfire Fact Sheet

Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 8:00PM



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**Location:** 10 miles south of Red Lodge, Montana

**Incident Command:** Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team 4, Brian Jenkins – Incident Commander

**Size:** 24,273 acres

**Containment:** 0%

**Personnel:** 214

**Current Status:** Today, fire resources had great success in all divisions of the fire. On the south end of the fire, crews tied indirect line into an old fire scar, and continued to patrol and work on hot spots near the fire perimeter. Fire crews worked on securing around structures and the fire perimeter on the east side of the fire. On the north end, fire crews continue to work on securing the fire perimeter south of Bear Creek. On the northwest side fire crews scouted looking at indirect line placement that will give them opportunities for success. There was some backing fire in the area, but not threatening structures. Fire resources are working up a plan on the west end to use an existing trail and natural barriers to create indirect line and take advantage of the possible moisture that could come into the area over the weekend. This area had the most fire activity today. Aircraft were busy today, running heavy air tankers and helicopter bucket drops throughout the day.

The majority of fire activity was in the Grove Creek and Line Creek drainages actively burning midslope timber with short upslope runs, group torching, and spotting. Pockets of dead fuels in the sagebrush and grasses out in the flats are smoldering and holding the fire.

**Planned Actions:** There is a night shift again tonight with five engines that will patrol and mop-up for pockets of heat around structures.

**Evacuations:** Evacuation Orders have been lifted as of 6:00 PM on June 17, 2021, for the areas of North and South Grove Creek, Gold Creek, Ruby Creek, and Robertson Draw east to Highway 72. These areas will remain in evacuation warning status, but residents can return to their homes. All area residents are recommended to have a household evacuation plan ready. Please remain vigilant and be aware of the situation and your surroundings.

The North and South Grove Creek Road, Gold Creek Road, Ruby Creek Road, Meeteetse Trail, and Robertson Draw Road that are in Evacuation Warning status remain closed to general public use.

**Closures:** All the Custer Gallatin National Forest System lands south of Point of Rocks in the Rock Creek drainage are closed under a Forest Closure Order. This includes trailheads, campgrounds, dispersed camping areas, and the USDA Forest Service Recreation Residences in Corral Creek, Spring Creek, Snow Creek, and Sheep Creek. The areas within the Forest Closure Order remain in evacuation and include the USDA Forest Service Recreation Residences in Corral Creek, Spring Creek, Snow Creek, and Sheep Creek. This is in addition to the Closure Area encompassing the Line Creek Plateau. The Beartooth Highway (US Hwy 212) remains open.

**Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR):** The current TFR in place for air space over the Robertson Draw Fire (FDC 1/3808) will lessen impacts to local aviation operators. Remember that temporary flight restrictions also apply to unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or drones. **If you fly, we can't!**

**Primary and Cooperating Agencies:** USFS, DNRC, BLM, Carbon County Sheriff's Office, DES, and Road Department, Red Lodge Fire District, and Belfry Fire District