



# Robertson Draw Fire

## Wildfire Fact Sheet

Sunday, June 20, 2021 at 8:00AM



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**Location:** 7 miles south of Red Lodge, Montana

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

**Size:** 29,437 acres

**Containment:** 13%

**Personnel:** 296

**Current Status:** Yesterday's warm weather, high winds, and low humidity tested several areas of the fire however, the fire activity continued to be in the upper reaches of the Grove Creek and Line Creek drainages similar to previous days.

On the east side fire crews continued to patrol and cool down any remaining pockets of heat. Some containment was accomplished on this part of the fire. Containment is defined as having constructed or utilized a line along the fire's edge to stop fire spread. On the south side firefighters completed an indirect line (which is a constructed fire line built by hand or equipment and located a certain distance ahead of the active fire) and tied it to an old fire scar. Fixed wing CL-415 water scooper aircraft were again used to make water drops on this part of the fire. On the northwest side firefighters continued to scout areas for fire line and worked on a direct fire line (which is a line constructed directly along an active fire's edge). The Structure Protection Group continued working on assessments which involves identifying and labeling the locations and access routes to structures and making a task list of preparation work that would be needed to defend the areas around structures including sprinkler systems and reducing the amount of flammable vegetation.

**Planned Actions:** Crews will continue to patrol along the east side of the fire and will grid areas as needed. Gridding involves working across the fire area in an organized manner to make sure that pockets of heat are discovered and cooled down, so they don't flare up later. On the south side firefighters will strengthen the indirect fire line and prepare for the fire as it moves in that direction. On the northwest side firefighters will start working on indirect hand and equipment constructed fire line working to connect the line from the fire area going west to East Side Road. Structure protection will continue their assessment work of private structures to the northwest and west of the fire area and continue to build the structure protection contingency plans.

**Evacuations:** Evacuation Warnings are still in effect for the areas of North and South Grove Creek, Gold Creek, Ruby Creek, and Robertson Draw east to Highway 72. 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. This is in addition to the Closure Area encompassing the Line Creek Plateau. The Beartooth Highway (US Hwy 212) remains open. A Closure Order is also in effect on all Bureau of Land Management lands lying West of State Highway 72, South of State Highway 308, and East of US Highway 212 in Carbon County.

**Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR):** The TFR in place for air space over the Robertson Draw Fire (FDC 1/6286) will lesson 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