

THE WESTON PASS FIRE

SUMMER 2018

Weston Pass Fire Timeline

6/28/18 - Wild Fire 9 miles south of Fairplay, the size is unconfirmed at 15 acres and 8 type 6 crews are in the area attempting to reach the fire. Initially the fire is named the Jones Hill Fire. The name will later be changed to the Weston Pass Fire.

6/28/18 - 4:21 pm CORA caretakers announce that everyone should start preparing for evacuation.

6/28/18 - 5:14 pm RORA manager announces the Buffalo Reservoir (aka CORA fishing pond) is closed tonight and tomorrow as helicopters are taking water to fight the fire.

6/28/18 - 7:03 pm Verbal report from fire crews to CORA caretakers, the fire has burned approximately 50 acres.

6/29/18 - 3:11 pm CORA Caretakers announce that everyone should gather their medications, pets, important papers etc. and be ready to go. This is not official! This is CORA alerting you to be ready again. Stand by for more updates.

6/30/18 - 10:30 am Mandatory evacuation issued to residents in the immediate vicinity of the Weston Pass Fire. Voluntary evacuations of the Black Mountain subdivisions are issued. County Road 22 is closed to all traffic.



CORA Stories

June 28th started like any other day at CORA. Most lot owners were going about their lives in Denver, Colorado Springs, Kansas, Texas, or wherever they call home. There were a number of lot owners on site at CORA, but the events of the next few days would focus everyone's attention on CORA and the surrounding environs. All of us were afraid that we would lose the place we love and use to escape the city madness and heat.

This event could have been tragic had it not been for the herculean effort by local officials, local firefighters and the over 500 men and woman who came from 27 states to stand shoulder to shoulder and fight the Weston Pass Wildfire. The abridged timeline is included in this special edition of the





6/30/18 - 11:22 am The fire has burned 1,500 acres and is only 10% contained.

6/30/18 - CORA Facilities Director, announces that Hwy 285 will be closed at 3pm from Fairplay to Antero Junction, asked people not to come to CORA and those at CORA should be prepared to leave. Those remaining are requested to leave an outside light on.

6/30/18 - Park County issues a reverse 911 asking everyone to voluntarily leave CORA, by heading south on Hwy 285 from CORA, away from the fire.

6/30/18 - 7:19 pm CORA Caretakers request that anyone remaining at CORA to email their lot # and name so they can compose a list, so they will know who is here. According to the Forest Service the fire is 3 miles from CORA.

7/1/18 - 7:17am The Rocky Mountain Type 1 Incident Management Team arrived late on 6/30/18 and assumed command of the Weston Pass Fire at 6 am, July 1.

7/1/18 - 10:25 am CORA caretakers announce that the office phone is no longer working and cell phone coverage is sketchy.

7/1/18 - 4:49 pm Structure damage confirmed - 1 residence at 695 Lynch Creek Court and 1 outbuilding at 854 Rich Creek Court.

Hummer, a more detailed timeline is available on www.campgroundoftherockies.com.

This article is about the events that happened at CORA, often behind the scenes, and about what our dedicated Caretakers, Workcampers, Board Members and volunteers did during the days leading up to a mandatory evacuation of CORA, and the process of re-opening the campground.

There were things that needed to be done, people needed to be notified, equipment and assets either removed or protected. Lot owners had their own stuff to take care of, but our Caretakers and Workcampers had their stuff as well as CORA's stuff to protect.

On Saturday, 6/30/18, during the voluntary evacuation, many lot owners drove up from "the city" to remove their trailers and personal belongings. That evening staff drove around the campground asking who was staying and noting that information on a map of CORA. Jane and Tom also asked those staying to leave their outside light on and to be prepared to leave immediately if they heard vehicles honking horns during the night. On Sunday, Jane stated that she handed the map to the Sheriff when he arrived to begin the mandatory evacuation. She hoped it helped as the Sheriff's department went door to door.



7/1/18 - 4:58 pm CORA Caretakers announce that the Sheriff is on his way to CORA to begin a **MANDATORY EVACUATION OF CORA.**

July 1 at 6:38 PM Firefighters were unable to get a line around the spot fire, resulting in the fire making an aggressive push to the south. **The Park County Sheriff's Office has initiated a mandatory evacuation order for the Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA).**

7/1/18 - 12:42 pm The Weston Pass Fire is now at 4,138 acres and 0% containment. It has not jumped Hwy. 285. Fire crews did a successful backfire Sat. night west of Hwy. 285 south of the Weston Pass Road (CR 22) to meet the oncoming fire. Hwy. 285 and Weston Pass remains closed.

7/1/18 - 4:58 pm

The U.S. Forest Service is indicating we have to evacuate CORA NOW! We are waiting for the Sheriff to arrive at CORA to start the mandatory evacuation.

This is official. The fire trucks are coming onto CORA as I type this. CORA Folks this is it - IT'S TIME TO EVACUATE NOW!!!!

There may not be another e-mail for a while.

Signing off for now...PRAY FOR CORA!

Jane Tingle Caretaker Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA)

7/1/18 - 10:47 pm

Hello all..Just an update on the whereabouts of Tom and Jane...our amazing caring caretakers. They have arrived safely at the J and M Ludivig B and B....all rest assured they will be treated with great care and concern..pampered for all they have done to care for this entire family of CORA folks..

Updates will come as they can...they will be in contact with Patsy and

CORA's office computers were backed up to thumb drives, then the computers, certain files, cash and checkbooks were packed for transport. The water system was tested and the chlorinator was filled, Tom inspected the sewer plant, and shut down the pool. CORA never lost electricity, but on Saturday the phone service was lost. Jane and Tom were in contact with several agencies, Park County Sheriff's Department, Northwest Fire Protection District Chief Kristy Olme, Ranch of the Rockies Manager John Adams, and the National Forest Service. Once the fire escalated, Jane said it became a Federal Government issue and she received information from Dana Schmidt, Liaison Officer from the Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team.

Jane and Tom had planned to load their essential personal belongings into their motorhome and evacuate when the time came, but when Tom tried to retract the motorhome's leveling jacks they refused to move. He didn't have time to work on the jacks, so they packed their car and the CORA truck with their personal belongings, and left their motorhome behind. They were informed of the Mandatory Evacuation about an hour before the Sheriff arrived to enforce it. When the Sheriff arrived they evacuated, along with Bruce and Jasmine.

Tom and Jane stayed with John (Facilities Director) and Marsha in Arvada, our workcampers evacuated to various



for all they have done to care for this entire family of CORA folks.. Updates will come as they can...they will be in contact with Patsy and Ralph as they are staying near the property and John Adams from Ranch of the Rockies....

We continue to pray for all to be safe...in gratitude for the firefighters that are working diligently to save CORA...and to count our blessings for all we have gained by being part of the CORA family. Greeting to all from Tom and Jane... John and Marsha Ludivig..

7/2/18 - 12:36pm

The U.S. Forest Service is positioned at the west end of Lantern Loop - SN236 - across the road from Marlene's place. They are creating a fire break with bulldozers down below this area approximately 3/4 of mile away.

Once the break is completed they will do a back burn. They start a fire to prevent advancement of the ongoing fire.

To us, this sounds like good news. When we left CORA at 5:15 pm yesterday there were several brush trucks, fire trucks, sheriff cars and other trucks coming onto the CORA property. There was a lot of activity going on - they were positioning themselves and assessing the situation as we left CORA.

The electricity is still on at CORA - another bit of good news!

A big thank you to Rafael and Patsy as they will be checking on CORA periodically throughout the day and reporting back to us. Also, we are in contact with John Adams, manager of Ranch of the Rockies (RORA). I will be updating CORA Folks again when I receive information.

Jane Tingle Caretaker Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA)

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locations. Bruce and Jasmin stayed with their son and daughter-in-law in Colorado Springs. Richard and Charlene, stayed with Rick and Cindy in Buena Vista. Delmar and Sharon stayed at the Travel Port Campground in Lake George. Chuck and Alicia stayed at the Arrowhead Point Campground and Cabins in Buena Vista for a few days and then re-located to the Colorado Heights Camping Resort in Monument.

During the days that followed, Jane kept everyone informed with frequent posts on Corafolks. Many owners expressed a desire to thank the firefighters. Don and Jay stepped up and donated a number of large banners thanking the firefighters for saving CORA, two of these were hung on each side of the front gate.

Jane and Tom had requested that they be allowed back into CORA before the Mandatory Evacuation was rescinded, to prepare CORA for re-opening. When they arrived back at CORA, there were at least 50-60 fire trucks and lots of fire personnel on scene. Each night a dozen or so fire trucks lined up in front of the clubhouse and stayed until morning. There was a security person at CORA's gate 24 hours a day, working 12 hour shifts. There were also several Fire personnel posted throughout CORA tracking the fire.

Tom went right to work, his first order of business was to



July 2, 2018 - 10:00 am Weston Pass Fire Information

New acreage for the #WestonPassFire is 6,417. The fire did not reach CORA; it is currently approximately 2 miles to the northwest of the camp.

In Div. A, firefighters will be securing the dozer line between Div. A and Div. Z. In Div. Z, the crews will be building dozer line off of Jones Hill. Along Hwy. 285 in Div. M, firefighters will be continuing with structure protection around CORA and developing a fire line to Road 434. In Div. D, firefighters will continue to secure the fire perimeter and provide structure protection in the Lynch Creek and Rich Creek areas.

Resources Include: Three Type 1 hand crews, 7 Type 2 hand crews, 13 engines, and 2 dozers

Helicopters: Four Type 1, two Type 3, 2 KMAX, 1 Air Crane and two fixed wing

#Westonpassfire Update

July 3, 2018 - 11:00 am

Current Situation:

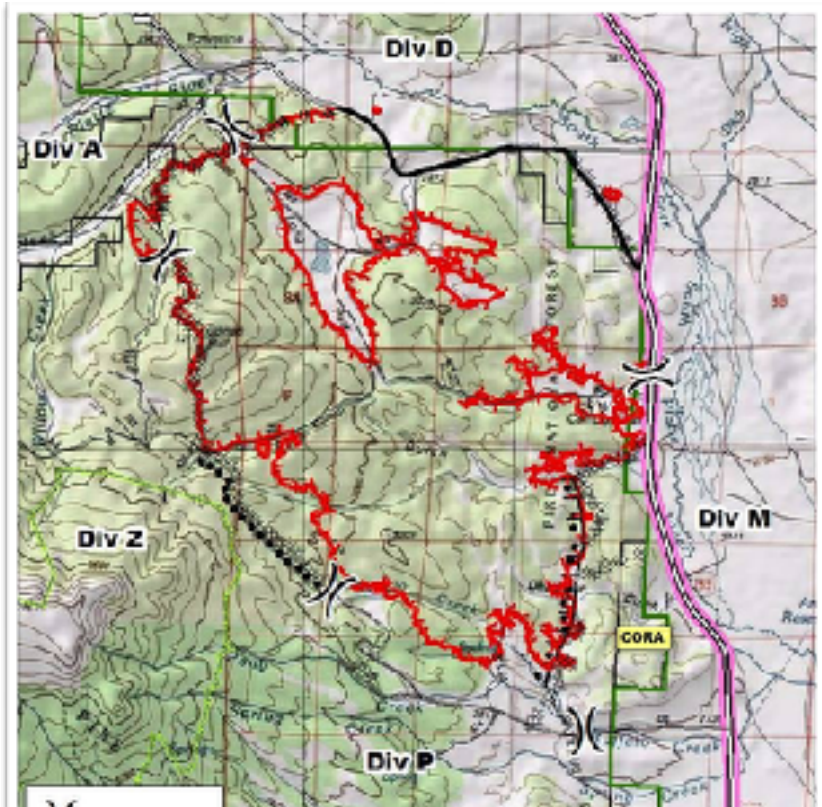
On Tuesday, the fire continued to move in a southerly direction and grew about 3,000 acres. A successful firing operation was conducted along Forest Service roads 156 and 168. Due to the very dry conditions, several spot fires occurred and were successfully suppressed by ground crews with support from helicopters assigned to the incident.

Significant emphasis is focused on protecting the Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA) and the fire remains approximately one mile northwest of CORA. A structure protection plan for CORA is nearing completion.

restore the water system, which had barely a tickle coming out of the faucet. A fuse on the pumps had blown, rendering the pumps inoperative. The fire crews had drained CORA's water tank to fill the "pumpkins" for the fire suppressant sprinklers they had installed around the campground. Tom Zingler, our water consultant, arrived to test and certify the water as safe. The sewer system was inspected and deemed operational, the pool's boiler and pumps were turned on. The pool had been shut down for seven days, so the staff struggled to get the water cleared up. Century Link was contacted to repair the phone lines and the phone system was operational by July 10th.

Jane expresses a "BIG THANK YOU to our amazing team of workcampers" who arrived before CORA was re-opened and made the service centers "spic and span". The service centers received some heavy use by the fire crews during the evacuation.

Tom and Jane would like to thank all the CORA owners who personally expressed their gratitude for keeping them posted on the fire situation. Jane stated that people "were very grateful for all that we had done. We certainly appreciate all the kind words". Jane also specifically thanked Bruce, Jasmine, John, and Marsha, for not only their assistance right up to the Mandatory evacuation, but also, for their caring support.



7/3/18 - 2 pm

The Public Information Officer for the Weston Pass Fire gave a briefing in front of Prather's Market at 2 p.m. today. Subsequent briefings will be held daily at the same place and time until fire is contained. Firefighters created a fire break yesterday behind CORA along an old north-south road just west of SN. A special effort is being made to protect CORA property. If the fire break holds for one to two days it will be considered a containment along that line. At this time, the fire perimeter is about one half mile north of CORA property. On the map, this perimeter is very close to Deadman's Gulch.

7/4/18 - 9:00 am

Weston Pass Fire
Current acreage is 10,727 and 5% containment. An easterly wind shift this afternoon will be favorable for holding the fire west of US Hwy 285 and pushing it away from Campground of the Rockies (CORA)

July 4, 2018 - 2:22 pm

UPDATE FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: Today's operations are progressing as expected. Containment lines nearest Campground of the Rockies (CORA) (Division M) are looking good.

July 4, 2018 - Evening Update

#westonpassfire

Containment on the fire has increased to 15%. The increase is on the north and northeast portion of the fire (Division D).

At 4:00 pm, winds shifted from the west to east-northeast. This marks the first time since Weston Pass Fire began that winds have come out of the east. This is good news for the Campground of the Rockies (CORA) as the winds are pushing fire away from US Hwy 285.

I don't think that many of us will know the amount of effort, Tom and Jane exerted to keep people safe and prepare CORA before, during and after this natural disaster. Sue Shaw (DSP 73) has worked with FEMA during hurricanes, floods, and tornados. She periodically went to see Jane in the office and explained how traumatic events like this can change the way people's brains function. At times of severe stress, people need to be told exactly what to do. Jane said that Sue's information helped them a lot. Sue remarked that she could see that they were doing things by the book.

I want to thank Jane for taking the time to answer my questions. I thought it was important to document for future CORA generations what happened during this event. The complete interview is available on the website. I can't begin to thank each individual who had a hand in protecting CORA, but I hope they know how much I respect them for stepping up. You know who you are and you didn't do it for recognition, you did it because it had to be done. THANK YOU.

Larry Chiuppi, DSP 24

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Fire Statistics:

Location: 9 miles south of Fairplay,

CO Percent Contained: 15%

Start Date: June 28, 2018 Total

Personnel: Approximately 484

Size: 10,727 acres Cause:

Lightning

Resources Include: Three Type 1 hand crews, 9 Type 2 hand crews, 14 engines, and 2 dozers

Helicopters: Three Type 1, two Type 3, and one fixed wing aircraft.

July 5, 2018 Evening Update

Current acreage is 12,902; containment on the fire has increased to 17%.

Thunderstorms were anticipated over the fire today, however an unexpected tornadic event resulted in crews leaving the line for safety reasons.

Fire Statistics:

Location: 9 miles south of Fairplay,

CO Percent Contained: 17%

Start Date: June 28, 2018 Total

Personnel: Approximately 591

Size: 12,902 acres Cause:

Lightning

Resources Include: Three Type 1 hand crews, 10 Type 2 hand crews, 24 engines, and 2 dozers

Helicopters: Three Type 1, one Type 2, three Type 3 and two fixed wing aircraft.

July 6, 2018 - 10:00 AM**Current Situation**

After the fire breached the boundary of the Buffalo Peaks Wilderness, the Forest Service issued a closure for the entire Wilderness area. Yesterday, fire personnel identified primary and alternate contingency lines on the south, west and northwest sides of the fire. Today these lines will be the focus of work in these areas. Hard work by firefighters, weather and SE wind direction continue to line up a positive outlook for CORA.



Water Storage "Pumpkin" in Silverton Northern

7/6/18 - 12:05 pm

Currently 12,902 acres and 17% contained. The fire moved into the Buffalo Peaks Wilderness Area yesterday which is now closed to public entry.

7/7/18 - 10:06 am - The Park County Sheriff's office has reopened US HWY 285, as of 8 a.m.

Please drive carefully, and do not stop in the vicinity of the fire. **The evacuations for CR22 and CORA are still in effect.**

Please note: the speed limit on 285 is 50 mph south of Fairplay through the Weston Pass Fire area. CDOT will be posting the new speed limits along with posted warnings about double fines for violation.

7/7/18 - 3:11 pm - All evacuated areas remain closed. #westonpassfire The Buffalo Peaks Wilderness remains closed. Hwy 285 is now open to through traffic and due to the volume of fire traffic, the speed limit has been lowered to 50 mph.

7/7/18 - 3:30 pm

We arrived at CORA around 1:30 this afternoon. As reported earlier the lower level of CORA looks just like it did when we left. No ash, nothing burnt, no smoke! A huge thank you to our firefighters and first responders for SAVING CORA! I'll have a report later today about the upper level. I am again asking all our CORA Folks to STAY AWAY! You CANNOT get into CORA - so save your gas! Fire personnel are still on the property. There is law enforcement at the entrance of CORA.

Security is tight - you WILL NOT GET IN!

The main fire is about 4-5 miles west - southwest of CORA. Right now I feel like we have to stay packed and ready to evacuate. I don't feel CORA is entirely 'out of the woods' yet and I probably won't until we get official notice.

First report on CORA status - water issues - fuses blown - pumps not working. Tom is working on that as I type this. He has told me we'll have water by this evening...hopefully!

Second, the 'Thank You' sign is up at CORA's entrance.

Thank you! Jane & Tom Tingle

July 7, 2018 pm Update

Current acreage is 13,019; containment on the fire has increased to 34%.

Current Situation

North of the fire, crews secured line along the fire edge and along the contingency line north from Rough and Tumble Creek, and west to CR 22. Surface improvements to CR 22 continue in order to repair impacts from fire suppression activities. To the east fire fighters patrolled line and completed maintenance on pumps, checked fire hose and topped off the water in the "pumpkins" in the Campground of the Rockies (CORA). Pumpkins are orange 1800 to 2400 gallon portable, collapsible tanks that are used to store water where there are no natural water sources or hydrants. Along the south edge of the fire, dozers have constructed line to the Buffalo Peaks Wilderness boundary and



completed contingency line along FS 435 road to North Salt Creek Trailhead.

The Park Co Sheriff and CDOT have opened US Highway 285 to all traffic as of 8:00 AM today. The speed limit is posted at 50 mph and there is no stopping in the fire area. Visit <http://www.parkco.us> for up to date information. Evacuations in the CR 22 and CORA area remain in place.

July 8 - 3:20 pm

It's been raining at CORA for 1 hour and 5 minutes now and it's still raining!!! A real soaker - heavy at times! We are hoping that it is raining on the fire along with those 'hot spots' and putting it out. After this lets up we'll go to the upper campground and see what the fire is doing. This is such GREAT NEWS - I just had to share!! Oh, we haven't heard or seen Tim (the man in charge) yet - still waiting. Jane Tingle Caretaker Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA)

July 8, 2018 pm Update

Current acreage is 13,019; containment on the fire is 52%. This afternoon, isolated showers and thunderstorms again precipitated a warning to firefighters of cloud-to-ground lightning. Campground of the Rockies Association received wetting rain this afternoon with .12" received at Jones Hill RAWs and .32" received at a higher elevation in the Buffalo Peak Wilderness west of the fire. The speed limit on Highway 285 is posted at 50 mph and there is no stopping in the fire area. Visit <http://www.parkco.us> for up to date information. Evacuations in the CR 22 and CORA areas remain in place.

Helping "Hands Across America"

The [#WestonPassFire](#) has responders from across the United States battling the wildfire nine miles south of Fairplay, Colorado. Nearly 600 firefighters from as far away as Alaska and Florida represent 27 states. Colorado has dedicated the greatest number of resources currently numbering 140, including engine, helicopter and larger hand and hot shot crews. Other large contributors include 91 resources from Oregon, 64 from Montana and 29 from New Mexico all the way down to the tiny town of Broken Bow, Oklahoma which has contributed a single resource, Public Information Officer [Michelle Finch-Walker](#). In the nation of wild land firefighting there are no blue or red states, they are all engaged collectively in trying to keep them green. Special thanks to Thomas Winship, a F.D.N.Y. (Fire Department New York) Firefighter for assisting with fire operations and the above data. Because nothing says wildfire like New York City.

Women on wildfires??!

You betcha! [#Womeninwildfire](#) serve in all capacities from Hot Shot crew members to Incident Commanders and all jobs in between.

July 9, 2018 pm Update

Current acreage is 13,023; containment on the fire is 63%. Closures and Public Safety The speed limit on Highway 285 is posted at 50 mph and there is no stopping in the fire area. Visit <http://www.parkco.us> for up to date information. Evacuations in the CORA area remain in place. Total Personnel: Approximately 572



Resources Include: Three Type 1 hand crews, 10 Type 2 hand crews, 22 engines, one masticator, 2 dozers Helicopters: Four Type 1, two Type 3 and two fixed wing aircraft

7/10/18 - 12:07

The mandatory evacuation will be lifted at 7:00 pm today. DO NOT arrive early at CORA – you **WILL NOT** be allowed in! You **WILL** have to wait until 7:00 pm. Right now there are two security officers at CORA's gate – they are not letting ANYONE in other than officials. This is coming from the U.S. Forest Service – *not* CORA. They are in charge of CORA / fire right now.

Lot owners are welcome to come back to CORA.

Our drinking is safe, our sewer system is running properly and our Service Centers are all clean. A BIG THANK YOU to our reliable Workampers for coming back and working so hard to make the Service Centers clean and stocked for your arrival!

I want to prepare you for your arrival. You may see fire trucks, brush trucks, Forest Service Trucks, Sheriff's vehicles and other official vehicles on the property. They may be here for several more days after your arrival. You are welcome to visit with them or ask questions of them – they welcome it! With that being said those officials are here on the property for a reason – to keep us safe! So, PLEASE let them have the right-of-way – remember they are still working.

As I said in a previous CORA Folks, in the upper campground there are hoses running along the road and between lots to the outer perimeter of the campground. As best you can please do not disturb the hoses – you may drive over them. The hoses and 'pumpkins' (water reservoirs) will remain until it is determined that they are no longer required.

As you return to CORA there is still a Burn Ban in effect. The CORA Board of Directors has informed me that there is ZERO Tolerance for open burning. This includes NO campfires, charcoal grills or smoking outside. The Park County Sheriff will be called immediately – no questions asked and you will be fined. The CORA Board of Directors is asking that you refrain from using propane fireplaces and grills until the Open Burn Ban is lifted. They appreciate your cooperation!

If your lot is in the lower campground PLEASE DO NOT drive up to the upper campground. As stated before there are still fire personnel on the property trying to do their jobs!

Again, Tom and I want to thank everyone for your cooperation – we appreciate it!

Please drive safely on your way back to CORA!

See you all soon!

Jane Tingle, Caretaker, Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA)

7/13/18 - Fire is now 83% contained. Tomorrow at 6:00 AM the Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team, IC Todd Pechota, will turn over responsibility for the Weston Pass Fire to a local Type 3 Organization lead by IC Steve Reed, ADFMO, from Pike and San Isabel NF. Structure Protection removed all fire equipment around Campground of the Rockies (CORA).

7/13/18 - pm report - As our final update from the Rocky Mountain Type 1 IMT, we would like to report that the Weston Pass Fire remains at 13,023 acres and is 93 percent contained.

The Type 1 IMT will transition command of the Weston Pass Fire to a local Type 3 IMT at 6 am tomorrow morning (June 14). We would like to thank everyone for their support while we were here. We are leaving an amazing information officer with the Type 3 team that will continue to update this page to keep you all



informed.

July 15, 2018 Update

Members of the local Burned Area Emergency Response Team (BAER) are beginning their work on the Weston Pass Fire. "The objective of the BAER team is to determine the need for and prescribe and implement emergency treatments on Federal Land to minimize threats to life or property resulting from the effects of a fire or to stabilize and prevent unacceptable degradation to natural and cultural resources." Total Personnel: Approximately 64. Resources Include: One Type 1 crew, Four engines, One masticator, Helicopters: One Type 1, One Type 3

July 16, 2018 Update

Firefighters and equipment moved to hard packed roads during the rain yesterday. Jones Hill reported .54" of rain last night. During the rain, several places along CR 22 had minor flooding last evening. The event precipitated a 911 call from a resident. In one place the water flow was described as black mud. This is an example of the need for the Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team who will begin their assessment process within the fire area today.

CO Percent Contained: 93%

7/26/18 8:24 pm

CORA has received over an inch of rain in about 40-45 minutes. There was a flash flood coming down the canyon in RGS. It appears no park models or trailers were damaged in RGS. The water came up on the road and a few feet onto the properties in RGS. The water and debris came down past the corral (horses appear to be okay) and onto Highway 285. They have closed the highway as the water is still running. Fast moving water was running across the entrance of CORA.

It also appears no CORA buildings were damaged during this event. Some flooding in the pool restrooms - it appears nothing serious at this point.

Jane and Tom Tingle

7/17/18 - 4 pm

The Buffalo Peaks Reservoir (aka, the pond, the fishing pond, the reservoir, etc) is closed until further notice per John Adams, Manager, Ranch of the Rockies (RORA). A flash flood also hit the reservoir last night - it's a mess! The office will not be issuing Fishing Permits until the Buffalo Peaks Reservoir (the pond) is opened. Thank you for your cooperation!

Jane Tingle, Caretaker, Campground of the Rockies Association (CORA)

7/22/18 afternoon Weston Fire Facebook page

This may be the last post on this FB page.

Weston Pass Fire is still at 93% containment. The other 7% is in the Buffalo Peaks Wilderness, (BPW). The BPW part of the fire is now being handled with confinement suppression strategies. This includes bucket drops, firefighters working directly on hotspots, using topographic features, and weather. This decision was made by fire managers to limit the exposure and risk to firefighters and because the scattered hotspots make it impossible to draw a containment line. Residents can expect to see interior smoke all summer. Firefighters will continue patrolling the area.

