



# Tumble Creek Fire

August 9 2008

8:00 am

**INCIDENT COMMANDER:** Tom Heintz  
**INFORMATION OFFICERS:** Brian LaMoure, Kim Frasier,  
Elizabeth Ballard  
**PHONE:** 406-328-4958 / 406-328-4959  
**LOCATION:** Dean School house located at Nye, MT  
**JURISDICTION:** Custer National Forest

## RESOURCES:

**PERSONNEL:** 134

**HELICOPTERS:** 1

**ACRES:** 380

The Tumble Creek fire is located approximately 7 miles west of the Stillwater Mine in the Beartooth Wilderness. The fire is burning in rugged terrain that is difficult to access. Currently at risk are wilderness values, grizzly bear habitat and a historic mining camp. The fire received 0.19 inch of rain Thursday night, and additional light rain yesterday. Yesterday, the fire was inactive, with smoldering fire, from small pockets of fuel in the interior of the fire, throughout the day.

Fire efforts yesterday included hand crews looking for hot spots and mopping up any accessible hot spots. Equipment was flown out of the fire area, and crews were transported safely by helicopter out by of the fire area by 3:00 P.M.

The Tumble Creek fire is 100% contained.

**ACTIONS PLANNED:** Command of the fire will transition from Tom Heintz's Type 2 Team back to the Custer National Forest on Sunday, August 10. The fire will be monitored by helicopter.

**WEATHER:** Today more rain and thunderstorms are possible.

Woodbine Campground and Trail #24 are open. Picket Pin Road #1140 and Trail #72 are open.

**CLOSURES:** Road closures are in place for the West Fork of Stillwater Road, FS road #846. Additionally, a fire area closure is in place for the area that includes Trail # 20 and #90, as well as the Initial Creek Campground.

Stage 1 fire restrictions are in place for Stillwater County.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Tumble Creek fire information at the above listed number. Additional national fire information can be found at [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org)