

Tumble Creek 08/04/08 7:00 AM

Incident: Tumble Creek Wildland Fire

Contact: Beartooth Ranger District, 406-446-2103

Start Afternoon of August 1, 2008.

Location: Near Tumble Creek, in the West Fork of the Stillwater River drainage approximately 8 miles west of Woodbine Campground, and one mile south of the Absaroka/Beartooth Wilderness boundary. The fire grew toward the east to the area of Soderbalm Creek.

There will be a **Public meeting** at the Fire Hall in Nye at 6:00 p.m. on August 5. Fire personnel will be available to share fire information and answer questions.

Personnel: 65 personnel are currently assigned to the fire. They were supported today by water and retardant drops from airtankers, one heavy helicopter assigned to the fire and additional helicopter support provided by the Cascade Fire. Additional resources are scheduled to arrive tomorrow.

Size: 763 Acres

Closure: An area and road closure is in place in the West Fork of the Stillwater River drainage north to Castle Creek.

Tom Heintz's Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team has been assigned to manage the fire and has assumed command at 600 a.m. August 4.

Information regarding the Tumble Creek Fire is available at <http://www.inciweb.org/> , and by listening to FM99.3 The Mountain radio station.