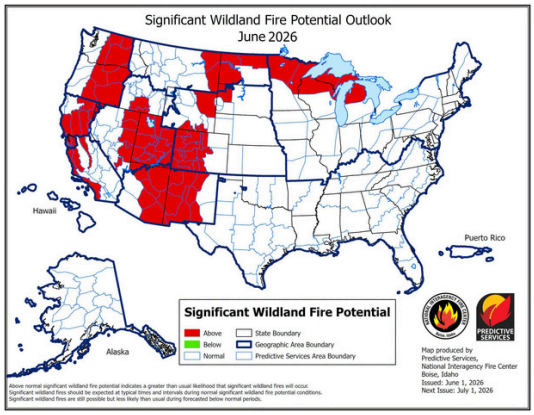
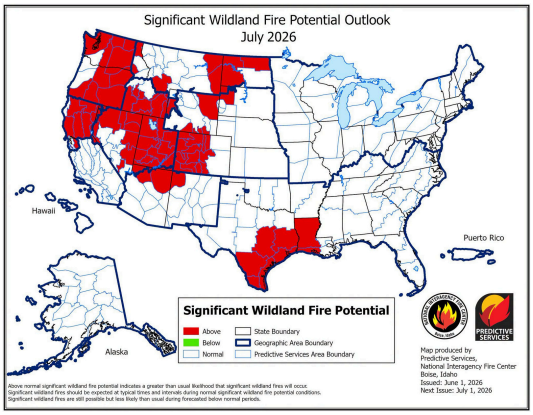
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Highlights

- State Forester Rules, Chapter 3, Private Fire Prevention and Qualified Insurance Approved Resources, became effective April 7, 2026.
- As of June 8th, 396 wildfires have impacted 20,600 acres on all lands within Wyoming
- Ongoing drought, combined with below-normal preciption has slowed green up in many areas
- Anticipated fire potential greater in July & August with increasing likelihood for dry thunderstorms







Emergency Fire Suppression Account (EFSA)

As of June 8th, the Wyoming State Forester has approved 4 EFSA requests, all impacted state trust lands

- Little Crazy Woman Fire - Johnson Co. (February)
- Porcupine Creek - Campbell Co. (March)
- Raven Creek Fire - Weston Co. (June)
- Sand Creek Fire - Weston Co. (June)


Little Crazy Woman Fire

Gannett Peak (Lander) & Pronghorn (Douglas) Fire Modules


Gannett Peak PT Training

- Seasonal firefighters hired
  - ~50% Wyoming Residents
- 1 Regional Fire Manager (Lander)
- Actively recruiting for Douglas Regional Fire manager & 2 permanent Module Leaders
- Both modules are currently in pre-season readiness training & setting up facilities
- Housing in place for Lander
- Getting fully functional in Douglas

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Aviation Resources



2026 Raven Creek Fire

Wyoming Helitack Program

- Helitack seasonal crew filled in May; actively recruiting 1 permanent position
- Crew includes 1 Smokebuster graduate
- Type 3 Helicopter
  - 9,000 gallons of water
- Type 2 Helicopter
  - 10,600 gallons of water

4 Single Engine Air Tankers (SEATS)

- Started June 1, 2026
- Utilized initial 9,900 gallons of retardant the first week of June
- Housed in Gillette SEAT base until June 15
- 2 will be in Casper
- 2 will be in Gillette/Worland

New Helibase at Casper airport

- 2 months ahead of schedule
- Anticipated completion: July 2026


Thunder Basin SEAT Base

Wyoming Forestry Conservation Program


Mallow Camp, Weston County

"Smokebuster" inmate program

- 25 initial fire-qualified inmates as of June 10, 2026
  - Highest since pre-Covid-19
- Module leader position in the interview process
- Fuels reduction work has been completed on 5 acres at the Mallo Camp

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