



Hello IPWA Volunteers and Friends,

"Due to unprecedented and historic fire conditions, the USDA Forest Service's Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests is announcing a **temporary closure of all National Forest land** in Clear Creek, Jefferson, Gilpin, Boulder, and Larimer counties, effective October 21st. This decision will be re-evaluated daily as conditions change.

The new starts and explosive growth of fires throughout the northern Colorado Front Range over the past week, including the Cameron Peak, CalWood and Lefthand Canyon fires, has led to this decision. The impacted counties are currently experiencing severe drought; extremely low fuel moisture conditions; a high occurrence of human-caused wildfires; limited capacity for response due to multiple wildfires; and persistent fire-danger weather conditions with no immediate relief in the forecast."

[Read the full press release here!](#)