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(Mesa County, CO)- All lanes of Broadway are now opened to traffic at this time as fire crews continue to mop up hot spots. Crews will be on scene for some time assuring the fire is out. At this time the evacuation order has been lifted for the Preserve subdivision. The cause of the fire has been listed as a controlled burn getting out of control. In all approximately 40 acres were burned. Several fences were damaged in the fire but no structures suffered fire damage. A shifting wind caused the fire to run around one of the GJFD fire engines causing moderate damage to the vehicle but it was still able to function on the fire. One firefighter suffered minor burns but was also able to remain on scene. There were no other injuries due to the fire.

We wish to thank all the agencies for helping with firefighting efforts and their great work to produce an outstanding outcome, including:

Grand Junction Fire Department
Mesa County Wildland Fire Team
Lower Valley Fire Department
Central Orchard Mesa Fire Department
Clifton Fire Department
BLM Fire
Colorado State Patrol
Mesa County Sheriff's Office
Red Cross
Colorado State Forest Service
CDOT
City of Grand Junction Public Works

Over 60 personnel were involved in firefighting efforts.

Preserve Fire Update #1

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