



*Loveland Fire Rescue Authority
Community Safety Division
410 East Fifth St.
Loveland, CO. 80537*

MEDIA RELEASE

Date: Thursday, December 15, 2016, 7:38 p.m.
Contact: Scott Pringle – Public Affairs Officer, Loveland Fire Rescue Authority
Phone: 970-962-2614

Summary:

At approximately 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 15, 2016, Loveland Fire Rescue Authority (LFRA) crews responded to a report of a wildland fire north of the Bobcat Ridge Natural Area, northwest of Loveland. Crews from LFRA and several surrounding agencies are on scene at this time. Strong, erratic winds and remote access issues are making the fire attack difficult. So far, no structures have been threatened, and no injuries have been reported. The size of the fire has been estimated at 20 to 25 acres. The cause of the fire is currently unknown. The fire has been named the Bobcat Power Line Fire.

Details:

Fire crews from Loveland Fire Rescue Authority (LFRA), including our Canyon Battalion, as well as fire crews and first responders from Larimer County Emergency Services, Larimer County Sheriff's Office, Berthoud Fire Protection District, Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire Department, and Poudre Fire Authority are on scene of a 20- to 25-acre wildland fire. The fire has been named the Bobcat Power Line Fire, due to its proximity to the power line and adjacent access road located in the fire area. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

So far, no structures have been threatened, no evacuations have been requested, and no injuries have been reported. Access to the fire has been hindered by the remoteness of the location and a possible power line that is down in the area. Strong, erratic winds have hampered the fire attack efforts.

Because of the wind conditions, firefighters have been temporarily pulled from the fire line but they are continuing to monitor the fire. Fire crews will continue to monitor the fire overnight and may resume fire attack if conditions change. Crews will re-evaluate the conditions and resource needs in the morning.

###