



Colorado Aspen Acres Fire June 30, 2026

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Press Release from the Governor's Website on June 29, 2026

“DENVER - Today, Governor Polis verbally declared disaster emergencies in response to two additional fires: the Aspen Acres Fire in Pueblo and Custer Counties, which is currently estimated to be 362 acres, and the Willow Fire in Lake County, which is currently estimated to be 1,066 acres. Governor Polis also authorized the mobilization of the Colorado National Guard to support fire response efforts for both fires. The Governor also authorized use of the Guard for the Gold Mountain Fire which is burning in Ouray County.

The Governor's verbal declaration for the Aspen Acres Fire activates the State Emergency Operations Plan and directs the Department of Public Safety and its Divisions of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) and Fire Prevention and Control (DFPC) to take all necessary and appropriate actions to assist with response, recovery, and mitigation efforts. This support includes engine and hand crews to assist in containment efforts, DFPC aerial resources, and the DFPC-sponsored Type 3 Incident Management Team to manage incident response efforts.

The Governor's verbal declaration for the Willow Fire in Lake County also directs the Department of Public Safety and DHSEM and DFPC to take all necessary and appropriate actions to assist with response, recovery, and mitigation efforts, and to support with pre-evacuation and evacuation activities as they become necessary. This support includes engine and hand crews to assist in containment efforts, and DFPC aerial resources to manage incident response efforts. DHSEM Area Field Managers are providing direct support to Lake, Custer and Pueblo Counties in the local emergency operations center.

Later today Governor Polis will be in Fruita at the Snyder Mesa Fire Incident Command Post and will provide an update on the status of the fires in Colorado.

He will be joined by local, state, and federal officials. That briefing is scheduled for 2:45.”

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Open Shelters:

Pueblo County Recreation Center

1650 Cooper Place,
Pueblo, CO 81006

To view an updated list of shelters, visit [Disaster Shelters | Find Shelters | American Red Cross](#)

Department of Transportation

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For updated traffic conditions, visit [CO Road Map](#)

United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at [Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211](#).

Western Colorado 2-1-1
Call 211 or (970) 244-8400
[Western Colorado 211](#)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362

[FEMA.gov](#)

Please visit the website and click on “*Disaster Declarations*”. If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: [Individual Assistance | FEMA.gov](#) to apply online.

DisasterAssistance.gov

[Home | disasterassistance.gov](#)

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: [Search Your Location | FEMA.gov](#)

American Red Cross National

(800) 733-2767

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National Weather Service

Weather alerts by state are available at: [Active Alerts \(weather.gov\)](#).

The Weather Channel

Local forecasts and severe weather.

[National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The Weather Channel and weather.com.](#)

Safe Travel USA

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National Traffic And Road Closure Information

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Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at <https://www.liveandworkwell.com>.