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SNOWSHOE FIRE NOW CONTROLLED

DILLON - (May 18, 2006 - 4 pm) - The Snowshoe Fire in the Red Rocks Lakes

National Wildlife Refuge southeast of Dillon was declared controlled on Thursday. The fire of

undetermined origin burned nearly 500 acres in sagebrush and grass; the increase in acreage due

to better mapping.

Fire fighters will continue to patrol the area until there is a change in the weather. Fire officials caution outdoor enthusiasts to use caution with campfires and make sure they are "dead out" before leaving the area.

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