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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

(Leadville, Colo, May 19, 2020)      May 18 Forebay fire

On Monday May 18, 2020 at 4:05 PM a fire was reported in the Forebay area. Leadville/Lake County Fire Rescue responded with Engine 602 and a Tactical Tender, along with Saint Vincent Ambulance crew. The fire was quickly located and determined to be on US Forest Service land and the Forest Service was contacted immediately. Lake County Sheriff deputies also responded and managed traffic in the area.

The Forest Service responded quickly with Engine 621 out of Salida and with a chase vehicle. Chaffee County also responded with a Type VI Engine and a Water Tender. The fire was contained at one-third acre with a low potential for further spread.

Once the Forest Service arrived, they took over command of the fire and all resources stayed to collectively extinguish the fire. The Forest Service personnel will establish cause.

The US Forest Service still has a fire ban in place. Please do not use an open-flame, ember-producing fire on US Forest Service or BLM land.

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