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## Oak Mesa bond release

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Doug,

Thank you for the heads up. The Division will postpone the 8/6/25 bond release inspection until further notice due to the Leroux Fire. Hopefully they'll get it under control quickly.

We'll be in touch. Thanks.

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On Mon, Aug 4, 2025 at 10:57 AM Doug Smith <Doug.Smith@oxbow.com> wrote:

Elliott,

I regret that we must postpone the Oak Mesa Exploration Release Inspection until after fire fighting operations in the area are completed (Leroux Fire). Presently it is reported as 250 acres and 0% contained. Hopefully, it stays on the BLM. We'll let you know more as we hear.

Doug Smith

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Oak Mesa 8/3/25