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Marys Lake Lodge June 23rd Fire Information

At 8:10pm on Saturday, June 23, 2018 the Estes Valley Fire Department responded to a call at Marys Lake Lodge. Over 50 firefighters from Estes Park and surrounding fire departments, as well as numerous agencies, worked into the early hours of June 24 to contain and control the fire. Defensive maneuvers contained the fire to the main lodge. "Given the situation we encountered upon arrival, I'm pleased with what we able to salvage," says Fire Chief David Wolf.

Owners Morgan and Ashley Mulch have been on site since early Sunday morning, along with a reclamation team, assessing the impact of the fire and taking action to continue to provide services to guests in the immediate future and throughout the summer.

General Manager Tina Harlow encourages guests to contact Marys Lake Lodge directly with inquiries about lodging and wedding reservations before contacting other area businesses, stating that "the extent of the fire and its effect on future business has been exaggerated on social media and in news reports."

Damage resulting from the June 23rd fire at Marys Lake Lodge affected the property as follows:

Main Lodge

- No fire damage to the first floor
- No fire damage to wedding reception room
- Fire damage to 2nd floor
- Water damage in main lodge

Lodging Rooms

• No fire damage to lodging rooms outside of main lodge

Guest Impact

- Weddings for next **two weeks** cancelled only all of these guests have been contacted.
- No damage to wedding site
- No damage to wedding reception room
- Lodging reservations moving forward without interruptions check-ins occurring out of condo 32 on north end of the property at this time. Visit Estes Park will provide updates if the location is changed.

Employee Impact

- Lodge staff displaced by fire damage has been hired to perform cleanup/labor of reclamation work and other work as needed.
- Lodge staff focused on room and board services, (i.e., cleaning, restaurant) will continue in current capacities.

For more information lodging guests can call Marys Lake Lodge at 970-699-8145. Event and wedding guests can call the lodge's event planners, Jessica (970-576-4043) or Annaleigh (970-800-1150). The lodge is fielding many calls at this time and guests may receive a busy signal.

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