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Train Derails North of Longmont

Mead, Colo- Firefighters from The Mountain View Fire Protection District and the Longmont Fire Department responded to a train derailment at 5:20 pm this afternoon.

According to Jesse Hodgson, spokesman for the Mountain View Fire Protection District, four rail cars in the middle of a Burlington Northern train derailed while in transit. The train was Longmont bound, no injuries were reported.

The accident occurred alongside Hwy 287, between Vermillion Rd and Yellowstone Road. The rail cars were carrying dry goods such as wheat and paper and all cars remained upright. Roads in the area were not affected and remained open throughout the incident. Possible hazardous materials leaking from tank cars was an initial concern, but firefighters say that there were no spills or leaks as a result of the accident.

“Tank cars directly behind the derailed bulk cars were investigated by firefighters who confirmed that there were no hazardous material leaks or other potential hazards,” said Hodgson.

“Representatives from Burlington Northern are on scene and the investigation and clean-up is expected to last through the night,” stated Hodgson.

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