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Inmates assisting with Southern Black Hills fire

Pierre, S.D. –State prison inmates have been deployed to assist with fighting a fire in the Southern Black Hills.

Twenty inmates and two staff from the Rapid City Trusty Unit were called to the Shirttail Canyon fire near Hot Springs this afternoon.

All of the inmates on the fire line are wildland fire trained and certified firefighters.

This is the seventh fire that inmate firefighters have been deployed to in 2004.