



Fire Update

For Immediate Release

Milford Flats
Fire
Kanosh, Utah

July 11, 2007, 08:00 am

Fire Information Center: 1-435-759-2452
1-435-759-2464
1-435-759-2458

Fire Facts

Date Started: July 06, 2007

Cause of Ignition: Lightning

Location: West of I-15, North of Milford-UT
and South of Fillmore UT

Size: 329,100 acres

Percent Contained: 30%

Time of Containment: No Estimation

Number of Personnel: 400+

Aircraft: 2 Type 1 and 1 Type 3 Helicopters

Equipment: 29 Engines, 9 Bulldozers, 3 Water Tenders,

Crews: 2 Type 1 and 7 Type 2

Cost to date: \$1.1 M

Structures Lost: 1 Summer home, 2 out buildings

Today's Fire Activity

The general activity yesterday was moderate with the most active burning in the South East and North West sections of the fire. A night shift of 6 engines will provide protection to the Cove Fort area and patrol I-15 to prevent any potential fire from crossing the interstate. An additional 2 engines provided suppression action on the northern section of the fire. There were no significant events during the night.

Today's activity will focus on the southern and northern areas in an attempt to stop the progression of the fire. Suppression resources continue to arrive and are being assigned to fireline duties.

The fire has been separated into two branches and a spike camp has been established in the Milford area in order to shorten travel time for fighters.

A red flag warning has been issued for dry thunderstorms and gusty erratic winds beginning around noon. This will potentially affect firefighters with radically changing conditions and a potential for rapid fire spread.

There is currently no eminent threat to public safety and there are no current plans for evacuation of residents. Depending on fire activity in the vicinity of Mandersfield Utah, it may be necessary to temporarily close Interstate 15 for the safety of public travelers and for the firefighters conducting suppression operations.

Other Important Messages

Fire danger remains high and the public is encouraged to be careful with fire especially when leaving established recreational areas or roadways. For specific information on area closures and fire information, contact your local BLM, Forest Service, or Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands. Drivers are cautioned to reduce speeds when ever fire personnel or equipment is present.

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