



SOUTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM #3

Tiger Fire

July 8, 2021

Crown King Evacuation Status Changes from “Ready” to “Set”

Public Information: (928) 925-1111

Size: 13,175 acres

Cause: Lightning

Start Date: June 30, 2021, 3:45 p.m.

Incident Personnel: 361

Email: 2021.tiger@firenet.gov

Containment: 29%

Location: 11 miles east of Crown King

Incident Commander: Dave Gesser

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**COMMUNITY MEETING-Facebook Live with the IC and Operations Thursday, July 8 at 8pm.
Prescott National Forest Facebook Page**

The Tiger Fire crossed a management action point Wednesday afternoon which prompted the Incident Management Team to recommend to the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office that Crown King be alerted that their evacuation status has changed from “Ready” to “Set”.

ROAD CLOSURES: At the request of the incident management team, the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office has closed the Crown King Road (County Road 59) between Crown King and Cleator effective at 8 a.m. July 7, 2021, except for assigned fire related personnel and residents with identification. The Crown King Road was closed for the safety of firefighters using heavy equipment working in the closure area along County Road 59. The Bumblebee Road remains closed from Black Canyon City to the junction of County Roads 179 and 178.

With the community of Crown King in a “Set” status, the town is now closed to the public. Residents only will be allowed in and out.

The Tiger Fire was very active yesterday. On the north and western perimeter of the fire, the continued high temperatures and low humidity combined with burnout operations north and south along the 52 road in the vicinity of the wilderness boundary, produced a large amount of smoke during the afternoon. Other smoke columns within the fire perimeter were more visible as unburned pockets of fuel on the interior of the fire were consumed.

Crews continued to prepare the Crown King Road (County Road 59) for a possible contingency firing operation between Cleator and Crown King, should conditions require that tactic in coming days. Other crews worked patrolling, extinguishing hotspots, and securing the eastern perimeter of the fire.

WEATHER: Forecasts call for slightly less hot and dry weather with a slight chance of thunderstorms Thursday along with the accompanying threat of gusty outflow winds.

EVACUATIONS: Presently the communities of Cleator and portions of Black Canyon City are in “READY” status. Crown King and the Lorena Gulch Cabins are in “SET” status and Horsethief Basin is in “GO” status in accordance with Arizona's Ready-Set-Go Program <https://ein.az.gov/ready-set-go>

FOREST CLOSURES: Arizona's publicly managed lands are in widely different levels of closure/restrictions. Those planning to visit Arizona's outdoors should consult appropriate land management agency web sites immediately prior to planning a trip to determine current restrictions and emergency fire area closures. Visit: <https://wildlandfire.az.gov/fire-restrictions> for current restrictions.

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7595/>

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