



SOUTHWEST INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM #3

Tiger Fire July 11, 2021

Morning Dust From Salt River Valley Night Storm Obscures Tiger Fire

Public Information: (928) 925-1111
Size: 16,113 acres
Cause: Lightning
Start Date: June 30, 2021, 3:45 p.m.
Incident Personnel: 361

Email: 2021.tiger@firenet.gov
Containment: 43%
Location: 11 miles east of Crown King
Incident Commander: Dave Gesser

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Facebook Live with the IC and Operations Sunday, July 11th at 8pm. Prescott National Forest Facebook Page.

With the community of Crown King in a “Set” status, the town remains closed to the public. Only residents are allowed in and out.

FIRE CLOSURES: The Yavapai County Sheriff’s Office and Prescott National Forest have closed County Road 177 and national forest lands generally south of County Road 177 from Mayer west to Palace Station, except for Crown King residents with identification. For detailed information see: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7595/>

An early morning dust event in the eastern Salt River Valley occurred late Friday night pushing dust over the entire Tiger Fire area, limiting visibility to less than one mile Saturday.

Saturday afternoon a new fire was reported along Interstate 17 near the Bumble Bee exit at Milepost 248. Daisy Mountain Fire Department and initial attack resources from the Tiger Fire responded to quickly halt the fire’s spread at about three acres. Interstate 17 was temporarily closed in both directions but was soon reopened. The Tiger Fire burned actively Saturday, with most columns of smoke coming from the northwestern section of the fire in the Horsethief Basin and Dead Cow Springs area. Firefighters worked on structure protection actions at Crown King, Lorena Gulch, and Horsethief Basin and evaluated conditions and need for a firing operation around Horse Thief lookout. Other crews worked to complete fire lines along Crown King Road between Crown King and Cleator.

Today firefighters remain working on structure protection operations at Crown King. In Horsethief Basin crews are providing point protection tactics as needed to protect structures and other assets, while waiting for an opportunity to fire a remaining contingency line when conditions allow. Other resources are monitoring the eastern fire line while remaining ready to attack new fires in the Team’s initial response area should ignitions result from forecast thunderstorms.

WEATHER: Forecasts call for hot weather with a chance of thunderstorms and accompanying gusty outflow winds this afternoon.

EVACUATIONS: Crown King and the Lorena Gulch Cabins remain in “SET” 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.

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