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## Lost Lake Fire Update

## May 30, 2021

**Parker, AZ** – The Lost Lake Fire started May 26<sup>th</sup> on the Colorado River Indian Reservation 14 miles southwest of Parker, AZ. The fire is burning along both sides the Colorado River in California and Arizona.

Firefighters have stopped the fire's progression and are improving containment lines along all flanks of the fire using large helicopters, heavy equipment, a fire boat, and engines.

**Evacuations:** NONE. The 15 homes along 15<sup>th</sup> avenue, AZ were allowed to return to their homes the evening of May 29.

**Management Objective:** Safely improve containment efforts while keeping the fire inside the Colorado River basin, away from communities areas, specifically north of Agnes Wilson Road. Firefighters are coordinating with resource advisors to identify and protect cultural, archeological, and other sensitive sites.

**Operational Update:** BIA Colorado River Electrical Services restored power to Hidden Valley Resort May 29. There are no power outages as a result of the Lost Lake Fire.

Firefighters safely conducted a burning operation overnight to remove unburned vegetation that threatened containment lines on the eastern flank of the fire on the California side. This successful work by firefighters added 262 acres to the total fire area but improved containment by 13%. The fire is now

5,727 acres and 47% contained. Firefighters will be extinguishing heat and monitoring this area the next couple shifts.

A fire boat will support firefighters with providing water to fire crews working to extinguish thick brush and salt cedar that grows within the river basin. Firefighters are also breaking up large machine piles that are within the fire's interior to release internal heat to let them burn down faster.

Firefighters are also patrolling the southern and eastern flanks of the fire area to ensure there is no remaining heat.

**Safety:** The health and safety of firefighters and the public are always our first priority. Please stay away from the Lost Lake Fire area to allow fire personnel to safely work and drive slowly along roadways where fire traffic is working.

**Weather:** Sunny and haze with areas of smoke will occur this afternoon. Wind directions will be more northerly this morning but should slowly shift back to southwest during the late afternoon and evening hours.

**Primary and Cooperating Agencies:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Colorado River Indian Tribe, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, Riverside County Fire and other cooperating entities.

A fire update will be released when significant activity occurs. Visit InciWeb for the most current fire information.

Quick Facts Lost Lake Fire	
Size:	5,727 acres
Containment:	47%
Road Closures <ul> <li>NONE</li> </ul>	
Evacuations:	NONE
Resources on the Fires:	2 hand crews, 8 engines, 5 helicopters, dozers
Total Personnel:	124
Jurisdiction:	BIA, Colorado River Agency
IMT3 Incident Commander:	Ryan Barela
InciWeb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/8122/	