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## **Forest Service News Release**

Prescott National Forest Fire Information (928) 925-1111

## Racetrack Fire Update - July 30, 2023

The will be the last Racetrack Fire Update.

Location: North of Highway 169, south of Crater Mountain near the community of Cherry Start Date: July 23, 2023 Size: 405 acres Cause: Lightning Containment: 80% Resources: 3 Engines Fire behavior: Low fire behavior Types of vegetation in the area (aka fuels): Grass, Brush

**SUMMARY:** The Racetrack Fire is predicted to be 100% contained tonight at 6:00 pm with a secure perimeter. Although there is no threat of fire spread or potential growth; firefighters will continue to patrol and monitor containment lines by ground and air. Light smoke may be visible at times as isolated interior fuels continue to burn and smolder.

Today monsoon storms are expected to develop in the afternoon with a high likelihood of wetting rains occurring in the incident area. Temperatures will be slightly cooler in the upper 80s to mid-90s.

**FIRE RESTRICTIONS**: The entire Prescott National Forest is under Stage 1 Fire Restrictions which prohibits building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal and briquettes, outside a structure that is provided by the Forest Service within designated areas for portions of the forest. Under these restrictions, discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun, except for persons engaged in legal hunting activities, is prohibited on the Prescott National Forest. Fireworks and the use of exploding targets are always prohibited year-round on national forests.

**Grapevine Fire Closure:** Prescott National Forest Roads along the route beginning at the junction of Forest Road 104 and Forest Road 143 and extending <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile on either side of Forest Road 413 to the junction of Forest Road 132 then along Forest Road 132 to the junction of County Road 75, Cherry Creek Road.

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