



Blum Fire Update Monday July 31, 2023

Size: est. 300 acres

Containment: 95%

Start Date: July 26, 2023

Cause: Under Investigation

The Blum Fire started on July 26, 2023, and was initially responded to by multiple local and county entities. Texas A&M Forest Service was requested to assist at 3:15 p.m. and responded with aviation resources, heavy equipment and engines from Texas A&M Forest Service and Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS). Multiple departments from Hill, Johnson and Bosque counties are working in unified command with Texas A&M Forest Service and Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

Yesterday: Crews continued to engage in mop up operations across the fire area, checking for hotspots or heat that may pose a threat to containment.

Today: Engine crews will patrol the perimeter of the fire and interior roadways, checking for hotspots and working to suppress any active flames and smoking areas. Personnel and equipment will watch for increased fire activity as the afternoon temperatures rise. Aerial resources will be available to respond as needed for suppression.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Excessive heat warning in effect until 8 pm this evening. Hot and dry conditions are expected to continue through Tuesday with high temperatures near 107 and minimum humidity around 20%. Southeast winds around 10 mph can be expected. Mixing heights around 10,00 feet are expected both today and tomorrow. RH recovery is expected to be around 65% early Tuesday morning.

Evacuations: There are currently no evacuations in place.

Damages/Injuries: One outbuilding was confirmed to be destroyed by the fire. No homes have been destroyed by the fire. No injuries have been reported at this time.

Closures: FM Road 933 is now open. Please use caution when traveling along this roadway as fire crews are still working along this road to suppress the Blum Fire.

Fire Information

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