



Black River Complex

Daily Update: August 7, 2023

CORDUROY FIRE

Start Date: July 12, 2023, Location: 20 Miles SW Alpine, Percent Contained: 10, Size: 596 acres, Cause: Lightning, Vegetation: Timber (Litter and Understory) Medium Logging Slash, Personnel Assigned: 34, Resources Assigned: 5 Engines, 3 Crews, 1 Dozer, 2 Water tenders.

Operations: Fire crews worked on structure protection at Hannagan Meadow yesterday and will continue to prep the property with sprinkler systems. Firefighters will look to tie in and connect dozer and hand lines along the 24 road today.

BOUNDARY FIRE

Start Date: July 27, 2023, Location: 30 Miles SW of Alpine, Percent Contained: 0, Size: 861 acres, Cause: Lightning, Vegetation: Timber (Litter and Understory) Brush (2 feet), Personnel Assigned: 72, Resources Assigned: 1 Crew. Operations: The fire has crossed onto San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation land. The Boundary fire will continue to be monitored and assessed for potential needs.

WILLOW FIRE

Start Date: July 27, 2023, Location: 12 Miles SW of Alpine, Percent Contained: 0, Size: 401 acres, Cause: Lightning, Vegetation: Timber (Grass and Understory) Medium Logging Slash, Personnel Assigned: 7, Resources Assigned: 3 Crews, 5 Engines, 2 Dozers.

Operations: Firefighters are working to improve and expand control lines on the western flank, prep highway 191, and tie into the Horton fire footprint to the south.

Closures: To provide for public and firefighter safety, highway 191 is temporarily <u>closed</u> in both directions from mileposts 233 to 238. There is no estimated time to reopen the highway.

Weather: Today's forecast calls for thunderstorms in the afternoon with a 50% chance of precipitation, a high of 79 degrees, and winds 10-15 mph.

Values at risk: Sensitive species in surrounding areas, cattle and grazing areas, watersheds, riparian areas, impacts to Highway 191, Hannagan Lodge, and nearby electric powerlines.

Restrictions: The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests are in Stage 1 Fire Restrictions. For details, please visit <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts//alerts-notices/?aid=81123</u>.

Smoke: Go to <u>https://fire.airnow.gov/</u> to see the latest smoke conditions in your community. Smoke may be visible from Hwy 191, especially at night.

Official fire information:

- Inciweb: <u>https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/azasf-black-river-complex</u>
- Incident Email and Phone: <u>2023.blackrivercomplex@firenet.gov</u>, 928-245-1585
- Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/apachesitgreavesnfs</u>
- Apache-Sitgreaves website: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/asnf</u>