



Black River Complex

Daily Update: August 10, 2023

CORDUROY FIRE

Start Date: July 12, 2023, **Location:** 20 Miles SW Alpine, **Percent Contained:** 43, **Size:** 1,027 acres, **Cause:** Lightning, **Vegetation:** Timber (Litter and Understory) Medium Logging Slash, **Resources Assigned:** 5 Engines, 3 Crews, 1 Dozer, 4 Water tenders.

Operations: The Corduroy fire received more rain yesterday and firefighters were able to achieve additional containment. Structure protection preparations at Hannagan Lodge continue but have been hampered by recent thunderstorm activity.

BOUNDARY FIRE

Start Date: July 27, 2023, **Location:** 30 Miles SW of Alpine, **Percent Contained:** 0, **Size:** 929 acres, **Cause:** Lightning, **Vegetation:** Timber (Litter and Understory) Brush (2 feet), **Resources Assigned:** 3 Crews, 3 Engines, 2 Water tenders.

Operations: The fire received more rain yesterday and movement was minimal with very little heat remaining near the perimeter. Crews are working to prep the road systems on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation as a contingency plan should the fire move to the north and increase in size.

WILLOW FIRE

Start Date: July 27, 2023, **Location:** 12 Miles SW of Alpine, **Percent Contained:** 3, **Size:** 401 acres, **Cause:** Lightning, **Vegetation:** Timber (Grass and Understory) Medium Logging Slash, **Resources Assigned:** 5 Crews, 7 Engines, 3 Dozers, 1 Water tender.

Operations: A small portion of handline remains to be completed to tie everything together. The Willow fire received some rain yesterday and firefighters will take advantage of more opportunities to gain containment along firelines.

Closures: To provide for public and firefighter safety, highway 191 is [closed](#) in both directions from mileposts 231.3 to 239.7. Highway 191 will temporarily reopen to traffic at 8:00pm tonight until 6:00am tomorrow morning.

Weather: Thunderstorms in the afternoon are forecast with a 50% chance of rain, a high of 69 degrees and winds 7-12mph with gusts up to 20 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 <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/asnf/alerts-notice/?aid=81123>

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

Official fire information:

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