



Blum Fire Final Update Wednesday August 2, 2023

Size: est. 300 acres
Containment: 100%
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 were able to obtain 100% containment of the Blum Fire and have released resources to allow the resources to respond to any new wildfire activity.

Weather and Fire Behavior: RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 1 PM THIS AFTERNOON TO 1 AM THURSDAY. Excessive heat warning is in effect until 8 pm this evening. Hot and dry conditions will persist through Wednesday with highs near 108 today and minimum humidity around 20%. South winds around 10 mph will continue. RH recovery is expected to be around 65% tonight. No precipitation is expected.

As hot and dry conditions persist, consider the following: Always obey local burn bans and outdoor burning restrictions. Wait to conduct any outdoor burning or light campfires until the burn ban has been lifted and weather conditions improve. Nine out of 10 wildfires are human caused. When a burn ban is in place, residents should avoid outdoor activities that may cause a spark, including welding, grinding and using heavy machinery. Many areas of Texas are experiencing high temperatures and dry weather. Residents should stay up to date on weather conditions and always use extreme caution when performing outdoor activities even if not under a burn ban. Stay wildfire aware. If a wildfire is spotted, immediately contact local authorities.

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: There are currently no closures in place.

Fire Information

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