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Valentine Fire - "SET" (official notification from GCSO)

Based on a recommendation from Valentine Fire Incident Management, the communities of Gordon Canyon, 13 Ranch, and The Cove have been placed into SET. Firing operations will continue west from Colcord Canyon along a series of dozer lines, handlines, and improved roads south of Colcord Estates toward the Chamberlain Trail. Ignitions are planned to continue for the next several days as firefighters work to reinforce the previously prepped containment lines. As of this notice, the fire remains within the planned containment area, and all lines are holding. Firing operations are part of the strategy where firefighters have a high probability of success, creating a barrier between control lines and the main fire. Firefighters are conducting firing operations as conditions allow them to meet multiple objectives, including removing accumulations of hazardous fuels to reduce the potential for future catastrophic wildfires and benefit overall forest health. Due to the proximity of the containment line and firing operation and the communities, it is important that residents are aware and make preparations to evacuate, if necessary.

When a Set status goes into effect, residents are recommended to prepare and have an emergency go kit ready in the event a Go Status is activated. Keep in mind unique needs for your family or special equipment for pets and livestock. Stay aware of the latest news and information from public safety and public health officials.

For real-time evacuation notifications from Gila County Emergency Management via cellular phone, landline phone and/or email, please visit: <https://gilacountyaz.genasys.com/portal/en->

Incident Information:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident.../aztnf-valentine-fire>

<https://www.facebook.com/TontoNationalForest>

Public Information Line: 928-421-4579

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Gila County Emergency Management:

<http://readygila.com/>

State of Arizona Emergency Information Network (Ready, Set, Go)

<https://ein.az.gov/ready-set-go>

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