



WHITE MOUNTAIN ZONE Incident Management Team Ben Plumb – Incident Commander



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Bear Fire

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Location of Origin: 5 miles SW of Cibecue, AZ **Start Date:** June 8, 2024
Size: 446 acres **Percent Contained:** 0%
Cause: Undetermined, Under Investigation **Fuels:** Pinyon-Juniper, Grassland
Resources Assigned: 9 Crews, 1 Dozer, 4 Engines, 1 Helicopter, 4 Water Tenders

Operations: With the help of aerial resources, firefighters were able to engage both divisions of the Bear Fire yesterday and extinguish hot spots along the edges. Crews completed fire lines around the Black Fire and cold trailed to identify any areas where heat remained. Firefighters plan to directly engage today and will continue to look for hot spots that may threaten control lines. An Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) module has been deployed to gather intelligence, conduct infrared mapping to identify areas that may be holding heat, and inform fire managers of current fire conditions on the ground.

Closures: To provide for the safety of the public and firefighters, the G-3 and G-4 roads are closed to the public.

Values at Risk: Emory Oak groves in the area, cultural sites and heritage resources, tribal sensitive species, cattle and grazing, watersheds and riparian areas, woodland areas, the Highway 60 and BIA Route 12 transportation corridors, natural springs, and Cibecue Falls.

Weather: Hot, dry weather will continue with temperatures reaching 98 degrees and winds 10-15 mph.

Smoke: Wildfire smoke may impact Cibecue, Carrizo, and the White Mountain communities. Go to fire.airnow.gov/ to see the latest smoke conditions in your community. Smoke may be visible from the surrounding communities.

Events: A public meeting will be held to update the local communities on the progress of the Bear Fire and to review the Ready-Set-Go! program on June 12, 2024 at 7 p.m. at the Dishchiibikoh Community School, 315 S Elm Dr, Cibecue, AZ 85911.

Official fire information can be found on these sites:

- Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/azfta-bear-fire>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BIAFAAFireMgt>