



WHITE MOUNTAIN ZONE Incident Management Team Ben Plumb – Incident Commander



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Bear Fire

Friday, June 14, 2024

Location of Origin: 5 miles SW of Cibecue, AZ **Start Date:** June 8, 2024
Size: 447 acres **Percent Contained:** 43%
Cause: Undetermined, Under Investigation **Fuels:** Pinyon-Juniper, Grassland
Resources Assigned: 10 Crews, 2 Dozers, 4 Engines, 1 Helicopter, 4 Water Tenders

Operations: Fire behavior was moderated yesterday by cloud cover over the fire area which produced cooler temperatures and higher humidities. Firefighters were able to take advantage of the weather shift, accomplishing additional containment along the eastern flanks. Weather is expected to return to hot and drier conditions today which could result in an increase in fire activity. Firefighters will work to strengthen existing containment lines, extinguish hot spots, and look for opportunities to gain additional containment. The Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) module will aide ground crews in identifying remaining heat sources near the fires perimeter.

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 and drier weather is forecast to return with temperatures reaching 93 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.

Evacuations: There are no evacuations currently. Residents of Cibecue are in "READY" status. The public is encouraged to prepare and follow the [Ready, Set, Go!](#) program to prepare for any threats to their community. Go to <https://311info.net/> for accurate and timely status updates.

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>