



WHITE MOUNTAIN ZONE Incident Management Team Ben Plumb – Incident Commander



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Bear Fire

Saturday, June 15, 2024

Location of Origin: 5 miles SW of Cibecue, AZ **Start Date:** June 8, 2024
Size: 447 acres **Percent Contained:** 74%
Cause: Undetermined, Under Investigation **Fuels:** Pinyon-Juniper, Grassland
Resources Assigned: 9 Crews, 2 Dozers, 4 Engines, 1 Helicopter, 3 Water Tenders

Operations: Firefighters continued to make progress yesterday along the eastern and western flanks, increasing containment. Temperatures are expected to increase above normal this afternoon and fire activity may become more active. Crews will closely monitor the fire perimeter for areas where heat sources remain. Firefighters will continue to work to strengthen existing containment lines and extinguish any hot spots that may threaten those lines. Fire suppression rehab operations have begun to repair damages and minimize potential soil erosion and impacts resulting from hand and dozer lines, staging areas, safety zones, and drop points used during fire suppression efforts.

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: Above normal temperatures are forecast today with a high of 96 degrees and southwest winds 10 to 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>