

Arizona Central West Zone Type Three Incident Management Team Incident Commander – Benjamin Stewart



## Adams Fire Thursday, June 6, 2024 – Daily Update

Location: 1 mile east of Fort McDowell, AZ Start Date: June 2, 2024 Size: Approximately 5,029 acres Percent Contained: 62% Cause: Human Vegetation: The fire is burning grass and brush. Resources: 2 Type-1 Handcrews, 1 Type-2 Handcrew, 5 Helicopters, 14 Engines, and 3 Water Tenders. Number of Personnel Assigned: 211

Highlights: Emergency Stage 1 Fire Restrictions go into effect today at 8 a.m. throughout the entire Tonto National Forest. Campfires outside of established Forest Service campgrounds, target shooting, and smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or developed recreation site are all not permitted. <u>View Tonto National</u> <u>Forest's Fire Restriction PSA here</u>. Almost 23,500 acres have burned so far this year on the Tonto, largely by human-caused fires. View more statistics at <u>Tonto National Forest's fire dashboard</u>.

**Operations:** Yesterday, containment progress was made on the north side of the fire. Firefighters will continue strengthening and mopping up control lines around the west side through the week and into the weekend. Additionally, some fire crews originally assigned to the Adams Fire have been redeployed to support the Tonto National Forest in responding to any potential new wildfire incidents in the days ahead.

**Weather**: The fire area will be even hotter today, with highs of 110 degrees and humidity in the single digits. An extreme heat warning is in effect until June 7. Fuel moisture is critically low, and fuels are very receptive to fire. Winds will be light out of the east. This weather trend continues through the weekend, which will increase fire danger and the possibility of new wildfires.

**Closures**: Closure orders are in effect in the Tonto National Forest surrounding the Adams Fire. View the current closure order and Stage 1 fire restrictions here: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/tonto/alerts-notices/?aid=87846</u>

**Safety:** The health and safety of firefighters and the public are always the highest priority. Please avoid the area while crews conduct fire suppression operations. Citizens are urged to sign up for the Maricopa County Emergency Notification System. The system allows you to be quickly notified of emergency evacuations. To learn more about the Arizona Emergency Information Network visit: <u>https://ein.az.gov/ready-set-go</u>. Firefighting aircraft and drones are a dangerous combination. Drones in the area could lead to accidents or slow down wildfire suppression operations. If you fly...we can't.

**Smoke:** Smoke from the Adams Fire has decreased; however, it may be visible in the surrounding areas for many days. Smoke will drift to the north and east due to prevailing winds. Individuals who are sensitive to smoke or have conditions aggravated by smoke are encouraged to take precautionary measures. An interactive smoke map at <u>https://fire.airnow.gov/</u> allows you to zoom into your area to see the latest smoke conditions.

**Information Links and Contacts:** 

Tonto National Forest: <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/tonto/fire</u> InciWeb: <u>Adams Fire</u> Fire email: <u>2024.adams@firenet.gov</u> Information Phone: 928-275-8205 Social Media: Instagram <u>@tontonationalforest</u>, X <u>@TontoForest</u> and Facebook <u>@TontoNationalForest</u>