



Forest Service News Release

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Foote Fire Update

Monday, June 24, 2024

Location of Origin: 12 miles south of Alpine

Start Date: June 14, 2024

Cause: Lightning/Natural

Personnel: 103

Resources Assigned: 4 Crews, 1 Helicopter, 1 Dozer, 1 Brush Chipper

Size: 4,553 acres

Percent Contained: 0

Fuels: Timber, brush, and grass

The Foote Fire is located in the Blue Range Primitive Area and is being managed under a confine-contain strategy, in rugged and inaccessible terrain. Due to recent precipitation and higher relative humidities, the fire is exhibiting low fire intensity. Yesterday's aerial Infrared flight revealed the only activity was along the northwest portion of the fire, and not actively moving down towards U.S. Highway 191. The Foote Fire will transfer command from the Type 3 Incident Management Team to a Type 4 organization at 7 a.m. on June 26, 2024. This will be the final update on the Foote Fire unless fire activity and weather conditions warrant.

Operations: Firefighters are chipping slash along Forest Road 567, and all planned dozer lines have been put in place.

Weather: Today's forecast calls for partly sunny skies, with a high near 85, and southeast winds of 5 to 7 mph. There is a 70% chance for thunderstorms in the afternoon with potential for strong, erratic outflow winds and lightning.

Restrictions: The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests are in [Stage 2 Fire Restrictions](#).

Smoke: The public can expect to see smoke in the immediate future, and there is a potential for a U.S. Highway 191 closure in the coming days to provide for the safety of the crews working along the highway edge, as well as for public safety due to smoke impacts along the highway. All areas within proximity of the fire can be impacted by smoke, depending on wind directions and ventilation. Go to fire.airnow.gov/ to see the latest smoke conditions in your community.

Evacuations: None at this time, and no structures are currently threatened.

Official fire information can be found on these sites:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/apachesitgreavesnfs>
- Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/azasf-foote-fire>