



FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

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Start Date: Wednesday, 6/12/2024

Location: 5 mi. SE of Wickenburg

Personnel Assigned: 35

Cause: Under investigation

Acres: 166 – **Containment:** 90%

Final Update: Rose Fire Update for Saturday, June 15, 2024

Wickenburg, AZ – 6/15/2024

Summary: Hand crews resumed with mop up efforts today with a focus along the Hassayampa Riverbed where heat continues to linger. Engine resources continue patrolling and monitoring the perimeter of the fire checking for any remaining smokes. The fire is holding within containment lines with no additional growth. Resources have the fire 90% contained. This morning, the fire was transferred back to the Wickenburg Fire Department as a Type 4 incident. As a reminder, gas remains off to residents who live on the southern end of the fire area, near the Hassayampa River. Residents can reach out to Southwest Gas for further updates.

Yesterday, fire operations released some resources to support new starts across the state, including to the Lone Fire near Wittmann and the Arcadia Fire south of Dudleyville. At end of shift today, fire operations plan to release more resources back to their home units to rest or stage for any potential new starts. One state hand crew, two Bureau of Land Management engines, along with an engine from the Wickenburg Fire Department, and a water tender remain assigned to the incident.

Recently, the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management requested a Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) from FEMA to help with costs associated with suppression efforts. FEMA approved the request which can cover up to 75% of predetermined fire suppression costs with the state covering the remaining costs.

The Rose Fire started Wednesday, June 12, 2024, within the Hassayampa Riverbed, southeast of Wickenburg. Numerous firefighting aircraft supported firefighting efforts on the ground Wednesday, including Single Engine Air Tankers, Very Large Air Tankers, and Scoopers. At the height of the fire, approximately 200 personnel were assigned.

Maricopa County residents are encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts at: <https://www.maricopa.gov/1755/CENS>.

Weather: Hot, dry, and windy conditions. Excessive heat warning in effect for Sunday, June 16, 2024.

Incident Information: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/aza4s-rose-fire>

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