

Watch Fire

July 11, 2024

Start Date: July 11, 2024

Acres: 1115

Location: White Mountain Ave, San Carlos Ave.

Containment: 0%

Cause: Human Caused, Under Investigation

Fire Activity: An active brush fire started Thursday afternoon in the 7 Mile district area of San Carlos. Air tankers were used to slow the fires growth to the south, but were grounded in the afternoon due to monsoonal outflow winds. The winds drove the fire south moving through the riverbed east of downtown San Carlos, heading towards Peridot Siding Road and Old Moonbase residence. Local fire resources and first responders have been working to establish firelines. Overnight, crews were able to burn out land to the east of the fire to establish a fireline. Due to the high winds pushing the fire causing structural burning, the Tribal Emergency Response Commission (TERC) have been giving updated information on the evacuation status. Areas affected are (TC Alley, China Town, Peridot heights, and Old/New Moonbase).

An evacuation shelter is located at the San Carlos High School and Apache Gold Casino. There is transportation available. Please contact (928) 961-6259.

Closures: Peridot Siding Road from Again Bridge to Hwy 70, White Mountain Ave.

Resources: There are fire resources and first responders assisting on the fire at this time. A Complex Incident Management Team (CIMT) has been ordered and will be arriving today.

Weather: The fire area will be hot and dry today, with a high of 104 and a 12-17% minimum humidity. There is a 50-60% chance of thunderstorms this afternoon, which may bring high winds, increasing the complexity for fire crews.

There are fire resources and local first responders in traffic and working along the fire. Do not drive to the fire. There is heavy smoke in the San Carlos and Peridot area. WE WILL HAVE UPDATED INFORMATION DAILY. <u>Safety for the fire personnel and the community is our number one priority.</u>

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