



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

Buckhorn Fire: 1,006 acres

Cause: Suspected lightning

Containment: 51%

Location: Malay Gap Area, San Carlos Reservation

Start Date: July 10, 2024

Fuels: Timber, Brush, Understory

Resources: 119

Update: Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Central West Zone to Return Fire Management to San Carlos Apache Officials

Overview: Road conditions from recent rains kept firefighters from engaging the Buckhorn Fire yesterday. Today, if road conditions allow, crews will work to strengthen the handline near Bull Ridge and continue removing brush along the 2030 Road. Due to the increased fire containment, decreased fire activity and recent rain, Central West Zone Type Three Incident Management Team will begin the process of returning management of the Buckhorn Fire back to officials from the San Carlos Apache Reservation. Transition of management is expected to take place at 6 a.m., Wednesday. Central West Zone thanks the residents and officials for their support throughout the duration of firefighting activities.

Weather: Yesterday brought scattered showers and thunderstorms across the White Mountains. Average rainfall was about half an inch. Temperatures were in the mid-70s with north/northwest winds of 5 mph, except near thunderstorm cells. This weather pattern is not expected to change for the next few days.

Reminder: Stage 1 Fire Restrictions remain in place on the San Carlos Apache Reservation. This restriction is for the protection of public health, safety, property, and natural resources. No burn permits will be issued at this time. For more information call Fire Prevention (928) 475-2326 Ext: 352, 321 or (928) 961-0515 or email wsteele@forestry.scat-nsn.gov

Closures: There is an area closure in place around the Buckhorn Fire. Closures are being adjusted based on fire activity for public and firefighter safety. Please monitor the San Carlos Apache Tribe Facebook Page for updated information. (Link Below)

Smoke: Smoke-sensitive individuals and people with respiratory problems or heart disease are encouraged to take precautionary measures. Air quality information is available at <https://www.airnow.gov/>

Fire Information: 928-588-4033 from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. – 2024.buckhorn@firenet.Gov

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SCATFORESTRY>

Inciweb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/azsca-buckhorn-fire>

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