



SILVER KING FIRE INFORMATION

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Agency: Fishlake National Forest – Beaver Ranger District
Location: Approximately three miles west of Marysvale, Utah
Start Date: July 05, 2024
Cause: Lightning
Acres: 18,074
Containment/Completion: 83%
Personnel: 332

The back haul of water handling equipment continues throughout the fire area. Good progress is being made in the repair of dozer lines. Work continues to improve forest roads by grading and removing hazardous trees. Work continues to strengthen the line in the Bear Hollow area. Firefighters will continue to mop up, monitor, and patrol other areas of the perimeter.

Questions often arise concerning the loss or damage to the landscape as the result of a wildland fire. Contrary to what the fire looks on a map, the entire interior vegetation is not totally consumed. Fires burn at varying intensities based on many factors. The vegetation type and density, terrain, wind, time of day, and fuel moisture are some critical factors affecting rate of spread and heat level. Referred to as a mosaic burn, this is a patchwork pattern of burned and unburned areas left behind by a wildfire. The Silver King Fire burned in a mosaic pattern that will benefit the landscape of the Fishlake National Forest in many ways. It will, among other things, improve wildlife habitat, enhance Aspen regeneration, reduce excess plant litter, and slow encroachment into natural meadows.

The Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team has arrived and will begin soil burn severity mapping soon.

There is a 70% chance of afternoon thunderstorms today. Relative humidity will likely remain above 20%, with temperatures in the upper 70s to low 80s. This will result in low to minimum fire behavior and limited fire spread.

Air quality for most areas around the fire has improved. For more smoke information go to <https://www.wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks>.

The Fishlake National Forest has issued a Forest Closure Order and Stage 1 Fire Restrictions that can be found here: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/fishlake/alerts-notice>. The Castle Rock Campground remains open to the public.



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