



SILVER KING FIRE INFORMATION

July 30, 2024

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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: 18,222

Containment/Completion: 89%

Personnel: 157

****RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT UNTIL 10:00 P.M. TUESDAY****

The National Weather Service has extended the Red Flag Warning for the Silver King Fire and surrounding areas until 10:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 30, 2024. Temperatures in the mid-80s, humidity as low as 6%, and winds over 25 mph may cause existing fires or new fires to spread rapidly.

During Red Flag conditions residents should avoid using machinery that can create sparks and ensure that trailer chains do not drag. Do not drop cigarettes or matches on the ground. Avoid recreational target shooting in dry grass. Follow Stage 1 Fire Restrictions that prohibit open fires of any kind except within established public facilities in improved campgrounds and picnic areas. Give firefighters room to work and abide by the Silver King Fire Forest Closure Order (see closure details at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/fishlake/alerts-notices>).

On the north side of the fire, crews are patrolling and extinguishing hotspots. On the south side, firefighters continue to hold and improve on their confinement strategy. On the east side, the heavy equipment has completed dozer line repair and will continue that work on the north side of the fire.

The dozer line repair is part of *fire suppression damage repair*, one of the first steps in rehabilitating and restoring a burned landscape. Immediately following suppression damage repair is *emergency stabilization* by a Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team, and one began work on the Silver King Fire last week. BAER team efforts typically include seeding, mulching, and managing water runoff. In some cases, Burned Area Rehabilitation (BAR) may provide a “bridge” to long-term recovery. BAR utilizes non-emergency actions, for up to five years post-fire, to improve fire-damaged lands that are unlikely to recover naturally. Once the land has been stabilized *long-term recovery and restoration* work, including hazard tree removal, reforestation, and infrastructure repair, can begin.



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