

SILVER KING FIRE INFORMATION

July 18, 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: 18,074

Containment/Completion: 78%

Personnel: 606

Community Meeting Tonight in Marysvale at 7:00 P.M.

The fruits of the hard work by firefighters were reaped today with the large increase in containment. The northwest portion of the fire is contained eastward to the top of Deer Creek, and crews will continue to mop-up and secure the line. Hot Shot crews will continue to construct line along the fires edge and reduce ladder fuels along the road in the Deer Creek drainage. They will also be constructing fireline from Deer Creek to Indian Hollow. Hand crew and engines will secure and mop-up hand and dozer lines from the southeast flank at Bullion Creek to the 2002 Cottonwood fire scar. Because the fire perimeter is stable, tonight will be the last night shift.

Because of the significant progress made by firefighters, downsizing of the incident has begun and crews, engines, and overhead are being released as appropriate. Hose lines and equipment are being removed from secure areas of the fire. A Suppression Repair Plan has been approved to address the impacts from fire operations such as ground disturbance and damage to infrastructure.

Fishlake National Forest has requested a Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) team, which is enroute. The BAER team will be used to identify and manage potential risks to resources and reduce these threats to life, property, and critical natural or cultural resources within the burn area.

The chance of afternoon thunderstorms, including heavy showers continues. Wind speeds should be less than what has been experienced during the last few days. Temperatures are expected to be in the mid-80s over the lower elevations of the fire, and low relative humidities are around 30 percent in the fire area.

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-notices. The Castle Rock Campground remains open to the public.

