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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: 86%

Personnel: 258

Beginning today moisture will move out of the area, leading to a warming and drying trend with a high likelihood of Red Flag Warnings this weekend. Not only will the Silver King Fire containment lines be tested, but other potential lightning fires could pop up and require initial attack. Use extra caution while these conditions exist to avoid starting a new fire; this would strain already-depleted fire resources. Abide by Stage 1 Fire Restrictions that prohibit any open fire EXCEPT when located at an approved facility or campground.

If you plan to be outdoors over the next few days, keep sun and heat safety in mind. Between 2004 and 2018 there were an average of 702 heat-related deaths per year in the United States. Heat stress cases are very common in the summer and can progress rapidly to heat exhaustion and heat stroke, which is a dangerous and life-threatening illness. We often are having so much fun outside that we forget about this very real danger. Follow these 3 simple rules to keep you safe from the summer heat.

Rehydrate Always keep water with you and remember to drink it throughout the day. Staying hydrated allows your body to regulate its temperature.

Shade up Locate cool and shady areas to rest in regularly. There can be a 10- to 15-degree temperature difference between the sun and shade.

Recognize Heat Stress Early recognition of the signs of heat stress will help you prevent deterioration into heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Signs of heat stress are heat rashes, dizziness, disorientation, lack of sweating, and cramps.

Suppression and repair remain the focus for firefighters on the Silver King. On the north side of the fire, crews continue to patrol and monitor the perimeter. On the east side, personnel continue dozer line repair. On the south and west sides, firefighters continue to monitor and secure edges where possible.

