

SILVER KING FIRE INFORMATION

July 31, 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: 88%

Personnel: 135

Suppression repair and mop up remain priorities for firefighters. Dozer line rehabilitation will move to the north side of the fire. A helitack crew is working to extinguish any hot spots along the western perimeter of the fire in Bullion Canyon.

While warm and dry conditions remain, winds will moderate today, thus the Red Flag Warning expired Tuesday night. Winds will gust to around 18 mph, humidity will drop to around 9%, and temperatures will peak in the 70s to mid-80s. Smoke impact will remain minimal, and smoke columns visible from adjacent communities are coming from interior areas that do not pose a threat to fire lines.

Once containment and confinement of the fire is achieved, the burned area will take time to recover. Suppression repair and emergency stabilization are ongoing, rehabilitating impacts from heavy equipment used to contain the fire and loss of vegetation from the fire itself. The window to salvage downed timber is approximately one year, so crews may be removing trees in the coming months. Forest managers will monitor effects and work to ensure the area regenerates and thrives long term. Long-term restoration may include hazard tree mitigation, reforestation, monitoring fire effects, infrastructure repair, stream and habitat rehabilitation, and treating noxious weed infestations. Post-fire restoration usually takes years.

