



# Speirs Fire

July 20, 2024 Update



Fire Size:

764 acres

Containment:

30%

Resources:

Helicopters 3

Type 2 IA Hand Crews: 5

Total Personnel 377

Location:

Approximately three miles south of the town of Dutch John, Utah and south of Flaming Gorge Reservoir

Started:

July 13, 2024

Cause:

Naturally-Caused,  
Lightning

Management:

Great Basin Complex  
Incident Management Team 3

For more information:

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utasf-speirs-fire>

Visit us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/AshleyNationalForest>



Call the information line:

435-709-8209 (8am – 8pm)

The weather conditions have been a big help to firefighters on the Speirs Fire the last few days. Cloud cover, which is favorable weather, and scattered showers helped, along with night recovery, which is when the relative humidity goes up and the temperature goes down. This slowed the fire spread to help crews on the line. Weather conditions are expected to turn dry and hot for the weekend and into the beginning of next week.

Fire containment has increased significantly since the Incident Management Team arrived, with the help of many resources. Firefighter safety remains a top priority. To ensure crews stay safe, spike camps were set up closer to the fire line. Now crews will have access to resources they need without having to hike in and out each day. Crews have been able to create five helipad locations around the fire's perimeter. With the addition of the helipads, new crews arriving can be flown directly to the line and provide a much safer way to evacuate any injured crew members if the need should arise. Today, heavy equipment will be added to assist with creating line.

The initial attack team and the team currently suppressing the fire have done excellent work in establishing strategic boundary areas to mitigate the future spread of the fire. That, along with wetter conditions, have given firefighters the upper hand. While good progress continues, the work is not done yet.

**For more information, please visit our Facebook page, Inciweb site, or contact us on the fire information line at 435-709-8209 which is staffed 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM.**

Closures:

Being on or within the following campgrounds, roads, and trails are prohibited on the Flaming Gorge Ranger District on the Ashley National Forest: Firefighters Memorial Campground, Greendale Group Campsite, Forest Service Road (FSR) 610, FSR 689, Lowline trail FST103 its junction with the Pipe Creek Trail, FST 003. Forest Service Trail 003 from the beginning at the junction with FST 103 to the junction of Forest Service Trail 004 and Forest Service Trail 004 to Greens Draw Road 049. For more information on existing closures, please visit the Ashley National Forest website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/ashley/alerts-notices>

Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR): A TFR is in effect over the Speirs Fire area. Using uncrewed aerial systems (UAS)/drones is illegal within the TFR.