



Southwest Area Complex Incident Management Team

TEAM 2 – John Truett – Incident Commander



Watch Fire: 2,162 acres

Cause: Human Caused, Under Investigation

Containment: 100%

Location: 7 Mile and Peridot Districts, San Carlos Reservation

Start Date: July 10, 2024

Fuels: Cottonwood, Brush, Understory

Resources: 127

Update: Thursday, July 18, 2024

Firefighters Continue to Patrol the Watch Fire, All Evacuations Lifted

Overview: Heavy fuels well within the containment lines of the Watch Fire will continue to smoke as unburned materials are consumed. There is no threat to containment and crews will continue to monitor the fire. All areas that were in “SET” (be alert) status have been moved to “READY” (be prepared.) Although the Watch Fire is 100 percent contained, the hot, dry conditions mean fire danger is still extremely high. Residents should always be “READY” to evacuate in the event of emergencies. Information regarding what to pack in a “go bag” and how to prepare for evacuations can be found at:

https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5305121.pdf

Weather: Today temperatures should be around 100-105 degrees in lower elevations with light west/southwest winds between 5-15 mph and gusts up to 25 mph. Storm cells will continue to develop erratically with a high probability of lightning which may cause new fire starts.

Safety: Residents can expect to see occasional pockets of smoke within the interior of the Watch Fire. Areas of unburned fuel will continue to smoke within the established fire perimeter. This is normal and will continue for the next several days.

Reminder: Stage 1 Fire Restrictions remain in place on the San Carlos Apache Reservation. No burn permits will be issued at this time. For more information call Fire Prevention (928) 475-2326 Ext: 352, 321 or (928) 961-0515 or email astele@forestry.scat-nsn.gov and wsteele@forestry.scatnsn.gov.

Evacuations: Lower Seven Mile Wash, New Moonbase, Farmers Station, Downtown San Carlos and Peridot Siding have all been reduced to “READY” Residents are asked to avoid burned structures due to hazardous materials that may have long term health effects. For more information, call the San Carlos Apache Tribe Emergency Response Commission at 928-475-2008 or visit (TERC) or the San Carlos Police Department Facebook pages at: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064423850123>
<https://www.facebook.com/SanCarlosApachePoliceDepartment/>.

Scan QR Code for an interactive map of evacuations.



Fire Information: 928-588-4033 from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. – 2024.watch@firenet.gov

InciWeb: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/azsca-watch-fire>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SCATFORESTRY>

EOC: For information regarding recovery efforts, contact 928-475-2008 or kevin.cassadore@scat-nsn.gov

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