



# Yellow Lake Fire

Incident Update - October 25, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.



**Size at time of update:** 33,041 Acres  
**Containment:** 45%  
**Personnel:** 230

**Start:** Saturday, September 28, 2024  
**Cause:** Human Caused (Under Investigation)  
**Location:** 10 miles southeast of Francis, Utah

Yesterday, containment on the Yellow Lake Fire area increased to 45%. Now the entire southern perimeter is contained. This is despite a dry front that came through yesterday bringing gusts up to 45 mph on the ridges. The fire did not move beyond the control line in any part of the fire.

The two main efforts of work on the ground continue to be extinguishing areas of heat and repairing damage done by the fire and fire suppression efforts. There are places around the perimeter that have required more attention often due to steep slopes, heavy fuels, and intensive use of heavy equipment. Examples of these areas are Lambert Hollow on the westside, Tim's Hole on the south side, and the ridge above the North Fork of the Duchesne.

A significant struggle has been the northern perimeter. This jagged line from the Soapstone area, around Iron Mine Mountain, and over to the North Fork of the Duchesne has resisted containment due mostly to the remote rugged terrain. Infrared radiation detected a number of heats near the line that crews have been extinguishing. Because of their work, the line has not moved in over a week even with the prevailing winds coming from the south and southwest testing it.

Major suppression repair work around Heart Lake and West Fork of the Duchesne on the south side of the fire are expected to be finished today. A mini excavator will be coming into the fire today to repair a dozer line above Silver Meadows.

The Burn Area Erosion Response (BAER) team will have an intensive few days on the ground all as they assess damage done by the fire. More snow is expected on Monday night around the footprint of the fire. The BAER team hopes to have some of their site visits completed by the next snow.

To request a permit to access property within the forest closures to retrieve important items, livestock, or winterize buildings, please contact the liaison officer at [2024.yellowlake.liaison@firenet.gov](mailto:2024.yellowlake.liaison@firenet.gov).

### Forest Closures:

- Updated October 18, 2024, the Yellow Lake Fire closure area has been reduced on the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest. This Order shall remain in effect until November 25, 2024, unless rescinded. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/uwcnf/alerts-notices>
- Updated October 19, 2024, the Yellow Lake Fire closure area has been reduced on the Ashley National Forest. This closure will remain in place through December 31, 2024, or until rescinded. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/ashley/alerts-notices>

### For Evacuation Information:

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