

Southwest Area Incident Management Team





TEAM 3 – MATT RAU – INCIDENT COMMANDER

Evacuation levels downgraded, residents begin returning home

Daily Update: May 20th, 2025

Acres: 20,308 Location: Greer, AZ

Personnel: Approximately 676 **Containment:** 55 percent

Start Date: May 13th, 2025 Cause: Under Investigation Fuels: Grass, Shrubs, Timber

Highlights: All "GO" evacuation orders have been downgraded to "SET" status, lifting current restrictions and allowing residents to safely return to their homes.

Operations: Yesterday, another round of strong winds tested the fire's containment, but all control lines remained secure thanks to the extensive efforts of firefighters working along the perimeter. Overnight, crews continued patrolling the fire lines and extinguishing visible heat sources to prevent any flare-ups.

Today, firefighters are initiating a suppression repair plan focused on rehabilitating dozer and hand lines that are no longer needed for containment. Crews and engines are also continuing interior mop-up operations extinguishing hot spots deeper within the fire area to reduce the risk of embers breaching containment lines and to strengthen control along the fire's edge. A community meeting was broadcasted on the incidents YouTube page that includes many questions and answers regarding repopulation, forest closures, and current road closures. www.youtube.com/@greerfire2025

Weather: High pressure begins to build in over the region today, which will lead to several days in row of lighter winds but continued dry and warmer conditions.

Smoke: Updated smoke forecast at https://www.azdeq.gov/wildfire/forecast/greerfire

Closures: The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest has issued a closure order for parts of the National Forest lands. Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are also in effect prohibiting fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal briquettes and smoking.

Evacuations: All **GO** evacuation status' have been decreased to **SET.** To check current evacuation statuses, an interactive evacuation map is available from the QR code below.

Shelter for evacuees are open at the County Fairgrounds in St. Johns and the Alpine Community Center. Highway 260 is closed in both directions near Greer. For updated travel information: **az511.com**

Safety: A temporary flight restriction has been issued over the fire area. It is illegal to fly drones within the area.



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Inciweb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/aza2s-greer-fire

Additional Info: https://linktr.ee/GreerFire