



## Forsyth Fire Update

Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

### Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team 7

Mike Johnston, Incident Commander

<b>Forsyth Fire Statistics:</b>	<b>For More Information:</b>
Size: 1,640 at last mapping on 6/20	Information Phone: (435)280-2259
Containment: 0%	Email: 2025.forsyth@firenet.gov
Total Personnel: ~400	InciWeb: <a href="https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/utdif-forsyth">https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/utdif-forsyth</a>
Location: Pine Valley, Utah	Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/usfsdnf">https://www.facebook.com/usfsdnf</a>
Reported: June 19 <sup>th</sup> 2025	
Cause: Lightning	

**Special Notes:** Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team (CIMT) 7 assumed command of the fire today at 7 a.m. The Great Basin CIMT 7 met with the local Type 3 Incident Management Team from the Dixie National Forest to transfer command and gain a clear understanding of the incident's progression over the past three days. The team will continue to coordinate and work closely with Dixie National Forest, State of Utah Forestry, Fire and State Lands and local cooperators with ongoing suppression efforts.

**Current Situation:** The Forsyth Fire was reported on June 19<sup>th</sup> around 5:30 p.m. Initial response resources worked through the evening directly engaging with the fire to protect structures within the Pine Valley Community. The suppression efforts were supported by federal, state and local wildland and structure resources. However, high winds and Red Flag conditions made it challenging for crews to stay ahead of the fire. As of yesterday, 14 primary structures have been lost within Pine Valley. Yesterday crews worked to extinguish hot spots in the valley bottom while continuing structure protection efforts. Over the coming days, operations staff will continue to identify safe and effective opportunities to engage the fire directly and seek containment. Firefighter and public safety are the top priority for this incident.

**Weather and Fire Behavior:** A combination of unseasonably dry fuels, low humidities and strong winds are contributing to rapid fire growth. Yesterday the fire crossed the main road in Pine Valley and made a run up the ridgetop to the North. Today will bring a slight relief from the winds the fire has experienced since Thursday. Winds will be out of the northwest in the morning and transition to a southwest wind in the afternoon. Spotting is expected to occur outside of the fire perimeter.

**Community Information:** Both the Pine Valley community and fire crews are deeply appreciative of the generous donations being provided during this time. While we are truly grateful for the support and generous donations, we kindly ask that no additional supplies be donated at this time.

**Evacuations and Closures:** The entire community of Pine Valley is under a "Go" evacuation order and are urged to not attempt to access the area. Last night, the community of Grass Valley was issued a "Go" evacuation. Residents of Pinto were given a "Set" evacuation status due to the potential of fire reaching that area. If you have questions regarding the status of your property, please reach out to the Washington County Sheriff via the non-emergency dispatch line at (435) 634-5730. A Forest Closure Order has been issued for the Pine Valley Ranger District, information and maps can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/v9xfm2cz>.