



## Forsyth Fire Update

Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

### Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team 7

Mike Johnston, Incident Commander

<b>Forsyth Fire Statistics:</b>	<b>For More Information:</b>
Size: 7,045 acres	Information Phone: (435)280-2263
Containment: 0%	Media only: (435)280-2259
Total Personnel: 280+	Email: 2025.forsyth@firenet.gov
Location: Pine Valley, Utah	InciWeb: <a href="https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/utdif-forsyth">https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/utdif-forsyth</a>
Reported: June 19 <sup>th</sup> 2025	Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/usfsdnf">https://www.facebook.com/usfsdnf</a>
Cause: Lightning	

**Special Notes:** There will be a community meeting for the residents of Pine Valley and Grass Valley tonight at 6pm at the Central Fire Station located at 155 E Center Street. A recording of the meeting will be posted on the Dixie National Forest Facebook page. If you have questions about the incident, please reach out via the contact information above. The team continues to coordinate closely with Dixie National Forest, State of Utah Forestry, Fire and State Lands, and local cooperators to ensure incident objectives are met and values at risk are protected, all while prioritizing firefighter and public safety. As of today, no additional structure losses have been reported.

**Current Situation:** Yesterday, on the southwest flank, air resources successfully dropped fire retardant along the prominent ridgeline near the old burn scar, to help slow the fire's advance. Crews worked diligently throughout the day to mop up and extinguish hotspots behind structures, reaching up to 100 feet into the burned area. From the valley floor up toward Water Canyon, firefighters have been constructing a handline that will connect to a dozer line coming in from the north. Both the northeast and southwest edges of the fire are burning within the Pine Valley Wilderness Area. In designated Wilderness, firefighters minimize impacts from equipment use to protect values at risk when constructing containment lines.

**Weather and Fire Behavior:** Today, winds will shift back to coming from the southwest at speeds of 15–20 mph, with the greatest impact expected on south-facing slopes. As the week progresses, conditions will turn increasingly hot and dry, raising the potential for critical fire weather as the weekend approaches. Despite yesterday's calmer winds and cooler temperatures, a combination of unseasonably dry fuels, low humidity, and strong winds continue to drive fire growth.

**Evacuations and Closures:** The communities of Pine Valley and Grass Valley are still under a "Go" evacuation order, these help to keep the public safe and allow suppression resources to work unobstructed. The Pinto area is at a "Set" level evacuation order, residents should be prepared to evacuate if the fire progresses further to the northwest. 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/v9xfrm2cz>.