

## **Sowbelly Fire**

July 17, 2025

Fire start date: July 10, 2025 Percent Contained: 16% Fire size today: 2,274 acres

Location: Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area Personnel: 65

Cause: Lightning

**Operations:** 

Yesterday more progress was made in securing perimeter line, creating a containment of 16%. The fire is creeping and smoldering except when afternoon storms create outflow winds. Scattered lightning creates hazardous conditions for crews and the potential for new starts. Today's crews will continue mop up operations with a goal of solidifying more containment.

## **Priorities:**

- Maintain firefighter and public safety by utilizing tactics that have the highest probability of success while minimizing responder exposure to harm.
- Utilize indirect and direct tactics to keep fire North of the ZS road and limit fire spread further into Escalante Canyon.
- Scout and identify potential holding features to the North while limiting impacts to the Dominguez Canyon Wilderness.

## Weather:

Sky/weather: Mostly cloudy (70-80 percent). Scattered showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon.

Max temperature: 79-84 F. Min humidity:19-24 percent.

Wind (20 ft): South winds 10 mph. Gusty and erratic winds expected near thunderstorms in the afternoon. Smoke dispersal: Good. Chance of thunder, 45 percent.

**Smoke:** Smoke may be visible and may settle into valleys and other low-lying areas.

Wildfire smoke may affect your health. For more information, visit:

https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health Latest Smoke Outlook: https://fire.airnow.gov/#10/38.4831/-107.8613

**Incident Information:** https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/coupd-sowbelly-fire

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