Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #4

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## **Deer Creek Fire Update**

Monday, July 14, 2025 Contact Fire Information: 385.393.0516

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InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utmlf-deer-creek

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Start Date	Cause	Size	Percent Containment	Helicopters	Engines	Crews	Dozers	Total Personnel
7/10/25	under investigation	10,058 acres	0%	5	15	5	4	300

Firefighters re-grouped on Sunday and made progress on the northeast part of the Deer Creek Fire that pushed north during Saturday's erratic wind event. Personnel scouted the Upper 2 Mile Road area and found a strategic location to construct dozer line to protect property and limit additional fire growth near Hang Dog Creek. Burning operations were also successfully used to remove vegetation remaining between 2 Mile Road and the burned area.

The Deer Creek Fire started on July 10 about 18 miles south of Moab and near the community of La Sal. Since initial attack, crews have been focusing on protecting life and property. Yesterday's more typical weather and milder winds, and a boost in firefighting resources provided an opportunity to strengthen firelines and begin extinguishing pockets of heat on the southwestern portion of the fire. Around 125 community members attended last night's informational meeting at the La Sal Community Center.

Today's forecast includes the possibility of gusty winds early in the day and a slight chance of thunderstorms Tuesday through Thursday. Deer Creek's incident meteorologist noted Friday and Saturday offer some of the first chances of wetting rain.

Heavy equipment and firefighting resources will be traveling Highway 46, particularly in the mornings and evenings. Please turn on your headlights and travel with caution through the vicinity.

**Evacuations:** San Juan County Sheriff first initiated evacuations on July 10. All residents north of Highway 46, between the intersection of Upper 2 Mile Road and Highway 46 and the Utah-Colorado state line are under evacuation orders. If you have not already done so, sign up for emergency alerts through the county by visiting <a href="https://sanjuancountyut.gov/emergency-management/page/san-juan-alerts">https://sanjuancountyut.gov/emergency-management/page/san-juan-alerts</a>.

**Closures:** For the safety of firefighters and the public, the Manti-La Sal National Forest has enacted an area closure. If you have plans to visit the area, please see the map and description at https://www.fs.usda.gov/r04/manti\_lasal/alerts/deer\_creak\_wildfire\_closure\_area\_roads\_and\_trails\_mosh\_ranger

<u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/r04/manti-lasal/alerts/deer-creek-wildfire-closure-area-roads-and-trails-moab-ranger-district</u>. County roads within the San Juan County evacuation area are closed to public traffic.

