



# Morning Update – MONROE CANYON Fire

Wednesday, July 30, 2025

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #5

**Special Emphasis:** The Monroe Canyon Fire is a full suppression fire with an emphasis on protecting communities and utilizing tactics that have the highest probability of success, while ensuring firefighter and public safety.

**Weather:** A Red Flag Warning has been extended until Thursday at 11 pm. The fire area will experience hot temperatures, very low relative humidity, and gusty winds. Inversions have been lifting around noon each day, increasing airflow into the fire.

Fire Statistics	For More Information
Size: 36,637 acres Containment: 11% Total Personnel: 1,052 Location: Richfield, UT Reported: July 13, 2025 Cause: Under Investigation	InciWeb: <a href="https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-monroe-canyon">https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-monroe-canyon</a> Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF">https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF</a> Contact Fire Information Phone: 435-280-2269 Email: <a href="mailto:2025.monroecanyon@firenet.gov">2025.monroecanyon@firenet.gov</a>

**Current Situation:** Yesterday saw high temperatures, single digit humidities, and strong, gusty winds throughout the fire area. With record-breaking low fuel moistures, fire activity quickly increased, producing a well developed column by early morning. Timber stands saw crown-runs and tree torching into the evening. Due to the receptiveness of fuels, spot fires were frequent throughout the fire area.

In Monroe Canyon, fire spotted across the established dozer-line. Handcrews, engines, fixed-wing aircraft, and helicopters responded quickly and were able to stop the fire spread at three acres. A similar situation developed in Dry Creek but Hotshots and dozers were able to keep it within the containment feature. Crews will be conducting firing operations in those areas as necessary and strengthening those lines held yesterday. The threat of spotting remains, however.

Crews continued prepping structures in the Bear Valley area. Patrolling engine and dozer crews stopped the fire from progressing to Water Canyon by extinguishing spot fires throughout the day. Today, crews will be monitoring the spread of the fire as it backs down the timber slopes into Bear Valley. Once the fire burns into more favorable and safer fuel types, the crews will aggressively engage the fire. Dozers constructed fireline outside of Burrville and conducted structure preparation operations. Hotshot crews in the area worked to develop additional holding features. Long Flat saw similar activity with crews assessing and prepping structures, as well as constructing and improving fireline.

Spotting occurred in Manning and Monroe Meadows, but spots were quickly caught and extinguished by the many crews working within the area. Five additional hotshot crews arrived and will be deploying into the area to engage the fire.

**Evacuations:** Sign up for Sevier County Code Red <https://scsoutah.com/emergency-management/> For evacuation information Sevier County Sheriff's webpage <https://scsoutah.com/#> Sevier County Emergency Management Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/bereadysevier>

**Closures:** The Fishlake National Forest has an Emergency Closure Order for the Monroe Canyon Fire for the general area north of Dry Creek Canyon Road (Forest Road 071).  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/r04/fishlake/alerts/monroe-fire-emergency-closure-order>