

Morning Update - MONROE CANYON Fire

Saturday, July 26, 2025

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #3

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 is in effect for today and tomorrow, with temperatures rising and winds increasing. Highs in the mid 80's are expected to be coupled with low relative humidity, causing extreme fire activity. This will progress as a high-pressure system continues to build through the weekend.

Fire Statistics	For More Information
Size: acres: 10,977 Containment: 13% Total Personnel: 961 Location: Richfield, UT Reported: July 13, 2025 Cause: Under Investigation	InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-monroe-mountain Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF Contact Fire Information: Phone: 435-280-2269 Email: 2025.monroecanyon@firenet.gov

Current Situation: The Monroe Canyon Fire experienced significant growth during the afternoon and evening of July 25. Evacuation notices were issued for all residences within the current closure area, including Magleby, Monroe Meadows, Cove Mountain, Elk Country Cabins, Long Flat, Big Lake, and the Porters area. The fire made an estimated five-mile run north yesterday. The fire advanced into the Magleby area and crossed Indian Peak to the east and Glenwood Mountain to the north. Firefighters observed 60+ mph gusts. For safety reasons, firefighters were forced to withdraw from locations where they had been implementing structural protection efforts.

Today, crews will continue looking for spotting, as the fire has been producing spot fires ranging from half a mile to five miles ahead of the main fire. Crews will also assess areas impacted by last night's fire spread, with a primary focus on defensive actions in the Long Flat area and Porter's area. Once it's safe for firefighters to enter, they will begin a thorough assessment of the Magleby area. The fuels within the surrounding area have the potential to make significant run rapidly increasing fire growth and having volatile fire activity.

Heavy smoke has limited the availability of infrared mapping for accurate acreage data. If conditions improve, infrared flights and further evaluation of fire behavior from last night will be carried out as part of today's operations. Incident Commander Brett Waters reaffirmed, "The safety of our firefighters and the public remains our top priority. We want everyone to make it home safely."

Evacuations: Sign up for Sevier County Code Red https://scsoutah.com/emergency-management/ For evacuation information Sevier County Sheriff's webpage https://scsoutah.com/#

Closures: The Fishlake National Forest has an Emergency Closure Order for the Monroe Fire for the general area north of Dry Creek Canyon Road (Forest Road 071).

https://wwfs.usda.gov/r04/fishlake/alerts/monroe-fire-emergency-closure-order