

Morning Update – MONROE CANYON Fire

Monday, July 28, 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 place through Monday, and we will experience our hottest temperatures so far, hitting the upper 80's at 7,000'. Relative humidity remains in the low teens and winds will continue from the southwest with gusts up to 30 mph.

Fire Statistics	For More Information
Size: 23,265 acres Containment: 16% Total Personnel: 999 Location: Richfield, UT Reported: July 13, 2025 Cause: Under Investigation	InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-monroe-canyon Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF Contact Fire Information Phone: 435-280-2269 Email: 2025.monroecanyon@firenet.gov

Current Situation: Sunday was another day of active fire behavior, partly due to the fuels in the path of the advancing fire, as well as the critical fire weather in the area. The area experienced another Red Flag weather day with extremely low relative humidities, high temperatures, and strong winds. The most active part of the fire is on the northern and eastern end near Elk Country, Porters, Big Lake, and Long Flat. Firefighters observed intense fire activity in those areas and were engaged in structure protection.

Firefighters working north of the fire will implement defensive actions for structures in the Long Flat and Porter's areas. Crews are prepping roads in the Big Lake area to be used as fire lines. Additionally, crews are constructing dozer lines west of the Bear Valley Road along utility corridors to catch the fire in a favorable location should it move downslope.

Like yesterday, the western side of the fire remains active in the lower portions of Monroe Canyon and on Monkey Flat. Flames and smoke from both areas are visible from the town of Monroe. Here the fire is slowly backing through pockets of intermittent fuel and steep terrain. Crews are working in the First Lefthand Creek drainage to prepare fire line along Road 162.

There is a public meeting tonight, Monday, July 28, 2025, at the Sorenson Administration building at Snow College at 7:00pm. There is a virtual option available with a link at https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/

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 Canyon 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