

Forsyth Fire Update

Monday, July 7, 2025

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team 2

Tony DeMasters, Incident Commander

Forsyth Fire Statistics:

Size: 13,941 acres Containment: 47% Total Personnel: 574

Location: Pine Valley, Utah Reported: June 19, 2025

Cause: Lightning

For More Information:

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InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/utdif-forsyth
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Current Situation: Firefighters will continue patrolling and mopping up the northwest side of the fire and in the area of Pine Valley. Please be aware of increased fire traffic in Pine Valley Recreation Area. Day and night shift resources will continue to be present to minimize any threats and concerns of the community. Repair and rehabilitation of dozer lines, water bars and erosion mitigation continue on the north end of the fire. Crews are making progress on direct handline at the north end of the Summit Trail and are developing a plan on the south side of the fire, where it has been difficult to gain access. All firefighting efforts are being conducted with the safety of firefighters at the forefront. Alternate control line construction is approaching completion on the west side of New Harmony and south of Oak Grove Campground.

Weather and Fire Behavior: Dry and breezy weather conditions continue to create more active fire behavior. With temperatures in the mid-80s and winds at 15-20 mph for valleys and slopes, fuel moistures continue to be low. Humidity is expected to drop into the teens. More smoke may be visible as winds stay steady and fire activity has increased on the southeast side. Higher elevations will continue to reach critically low fuel moisture levels as temperatures continue to increase over the next week.

Evacuations and Closures: Stage 1 fire restrictions are in effect for all lands in Washington, Iron and surrounding Counties, for more information visit Utahfireinfo.gov. The communities of Pine Valley, Grass Valley and Gray's Ranch have been downgraded to a "Ready" level evacuation order. Pinto no longer has any evacuation status. For the most up-to-date evacuation status, visit the *News* section of the Washington County website. If you have questions regarding evacuation status, please reach out to the Washington County Sheriff via the non-emergency dispatch line at (435) 634-5730. A Forest Closure Order is in place for the Pine Valley Ranger District, information and maps can be found under *Alerts and Fire Danger Status* on the Dixie National Forest website.

Special Notes: Great Basin Team 2 is coordinating closely with the Dixie National Forest, State of Utah Forestry, Fire and State Lands, Bureau of Land Management and local cooperators to meet the needs of the changing fire conditions.