



Forsyth Fire Update

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team 2
Tony DeMasters, Incident Commander



Forsyth Fire Statistics:

Size: 15,363 acres
Containment: 67%
Total Personnel: 589
Location: Pine Valley, Utah
Reported: June 19, 2025
Cause: Lightning

For More Information

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Current Situation: Yesterday firefighters focused along the southern edge of the fire using aircraft and crews on the ground after being on scene through the night Thursday where the fire remained active between Nay Canyon and the Right Fork of the Santa Clara River. Friday fire managers identified and extinguished smoke on the interior of the containment lines southeast of Pine Valley. Today firefighters will continue to work tying the direct handline near the 2020 Spirit Creek burn to the completed handline on the southwest side of the fire. All spot fires around Whipple Valley have been secured and contained. Crews will continue to build and strengthen contingency lines along the southeast edge of the fire, while remaining available to respond to any needs.

Weather and Fire Behavior: A hot, very dry, and unstable airmass remained across the fire area Friday. Winds flowed up the canyons across the fire allowing fire to move into unburned fuels resulting in increased smoke across the fire. Hot, dry weather conducive to increased fire behavior, will continue today. Single digit relative humidity has been recorded at all elevations across the fire area and overnight recovery has not been above 30% which is driving fuel moistures toward critical levels even at higher elevations.

Evacuations and Closures: Stage 1 fire restrictions remain in Washington, Iron, and surrounding counties. A Forest Closure Order is in place for the Pine Valley Ranger District; information can be found on the Dixie National Forest website. The communities of Pine Valley, Grass Valley, and Gray's Ranch are now in "Ready" level evacuation status, and Pinto is no longer in any evacuation status. For the most up-to-date evacuation information, visit the Washington County website. For questions regarding evacuation status, contact the Washington County Sheriff via the non-emergency number at (435) 634-5730.

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. Wildfires are a No Drone Zone. If you fly, we can't. Every time a drone is spotted near the fire all aircraft are grounded until we can be sure the drone is clear of this area. Visit [Know Before You Fly](http://knowbeforeyoufly.org), <http://knowbeforeyoufly.org>. A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is in effect in the fire area.