Forsyth Fire Update



Monday, July 14, 2025

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



Forsyth Fire Statistics:

Size: 15,673 acres Containment: 72% Total Personnel: 563 Location: Pine Valley, Utah Reported: June 19, 2025

Cause: Lightning

For More Information

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Current Situation:

Yesterday, crews made progress around the fire perimeter and increased containment to 72%. The south end of the fire was active with fire activity in the canopy, and fire managers utilized tanker drops and heavy helicopters to push the fire back to the forest floor, which allowed firefighters to engage the fire.

Today, crews will continue to conduct repair work along the western edges of the fire in the Lloyd Canyon area. The southern edge of the fire on the ridge above Oak Grove Campground remains active as crews work to construct direct and indirect handline. A contingency group in Oak Grove Campground is monitoring the southern edge. The fire continues to spread due to terrain-driven winds, with more of these winds expected throughout the day.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

EXCESSIVE HEAT WARNING Weather conditions continue to be hot and dry across the fire area, with relative humidity staying in single digits. These conditions can create opportunities for increased fire behavior. There is a chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms moving through the area this afternoon. There is a low possibility that this could bring moisture to the fire area. Due to low relative humidity and the hot and dry conditions, a Fire Weather Watch has been issued for Tuesday.

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. A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is in effect in the fire area.