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Forsyth Fire Update

Wednesday, July 16, 2025





Forsyth Fire Statistics:

Size: 15,682 acres Containment: 81% Total Personnel: 509 Location: Pine Valley, Utah Reported: June 19, 2025

Cause: Lightning

For More Information

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Current Situation: Today's focus will be along the southern edge of the fire using aircraft and crews on the ground. Crews are making progress on the handline being constructed to increase containment along the south side of the fire in the Deer Flat area. The progress is slow due to difficult terrain and fuels. Crews will continue to work with Dixie Power while they restore electricity to summer residences in the Pine Valley Recreation area. Containment increased near Whipple Valley and on the southeast side near the 2020 Spirit Creek fire. The contingency group will continue to be in place in case fire activity increases, to protect the Oak Grove campground and New Harmony. During the past 24-hours there has been minimal fire growth despite the weather conditions.

Weather and Fire Behavior: The fire area was under a Red Flag Warning Tuesday for low humidity and gusty southwest winds. Relative humidity will trend a little higher, remaining at or above 20% across the fire. Monsoon moisture could bring a chance of thunderstorms beginning Thursday and continuing through the weekend.

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.