

## Morning Update – MONROE CANYON Fire

Sunday, August 3, 2025

Great Basin Complex Incident Management Team #5

Fire Statistics	For More Information
Size: 58,795 acres	InciWeb: https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-monroe-canyon
Containment: 4%	Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF
Total Personnel: 1,503	Contact Fire Information Phone: 435-280-2269
Cause: Under Investigation	Email: 2025.monroecanyon@firenet.gov

**Weather:** Today is the first day in nine days that the fire has not been under red flag conditions due to slightly lower wind speeds, however, we remain in a fire weather watch. Wind speeds today will be in the teens, rather than the twenties as they have been. Temperatures around the fire have been in the high 80s and low 90s. Humidities across the landscape have been around 5%. Fuel moistures remain historically low at around 8%. Red flag conditions are expected to return tomorrow and persist into the future.

**Situation:** Yesterday, warm temperatures and low humidities allowed the fire to make an afternoon run that burned from Manning Meadows Reservoir to the 2014 Box Creek Rx and the 2012 Box Creek Rx. When the fire reached the prescribed burn, the fire was pushed north, running back into itself and burning out. The prescribed fire helped prevent an evacuation of the Box Creek Spike Camp, allowing firefighters to remain in the area and close to their operation zone.

Another weather driven run happened on the north side of Indian Peak, but was stopped on the ridgeline when the fire reached the 2016 Indian Peak Rx. A vegetation shift from timber to oak-hickory and the regenerated aspen stands created by the prescribed burn helped slow the fire. Firefighters worked through the night to catch spots as the wind carried embers over the ridgeline.

A third run occurred near the recent Cove Fire and Bear Valley Road. Firefighters engaged and utilized retardant drops and other aircraft to help contain the spot fires that had crossed the constructed dozer line. The combined efforts of crews on the ground and aircraft halted the fire's progression. Firefighters hope to conduct small tactical firing operations in the coming days to burn out small pockets of fuels and strengthen the line.

Firefighters continued prepping the Little Springs Road with the help of a masticator. Crews are looking for options to conduct tactical firing operations in the coming days, should conditions allow, in order to create a larger fire break that will help prevent any more runs towards Monroe.

Crews completed the contingency line between Thompson Basin, through Long Flat, to Saul Meadow Rd. Firefighters will be snagging out the fireline over the next operational period.

Structure prep continues in Burrville. Masticators have been routed to the area to help reduce the fuels along the recently constructed firelines and along roads.

**Evacuations:** Sign up for Sevier County Code Red <a href="https://scsoutah.com/emergency-management/">https://scsoutah.com/emergency-management/</a> For evacuation information Sevier County Sheriff's webpage <a href="https://scsoutah.com/#">https://scsoutah.com/#</a> Sevier County Emergency Management Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/bereadysevier">https://www.facebook.com/bereadysevier</a>

**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

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