



## Cottonwood Fire

Friday, June 26, 2026

**Red Flag Warning - Particularly Dangerous Situation**

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<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-cottonwood-fire>

[www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF](https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF) / [www.facebook.com/utahfireinfo](https://www.facebook.com/utahfireinfo)

### Fire Statistics:

Start Date: 6/22/2026

Cause: Under Investigation

Size: 71,841 acres

Containment: 0%

Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

### Resources

TOTAL RESOURCES: 658

**Current Situation:** Yesterday, crews constructing fireline reached Andersen Meadows and continue to work toward Thompson Ridge. Handcrews continue to build and improve line from Highway 153 toward North Creek. On the east side of the fire, crews worked north of Marysville. Firefighters improved old dozer lines, trails, roads, and anywhere that could be incorporated into fireline. Firefighters continue to work on structure prep. Today, firefighters will tie-in the dozer-line in Cottonwood Creek to the Silver King Fire scar. Engines in Birch Creek will begin pushing back the constructed direct fireline. Structure groups in the Eagle Point area will begin mop-up operations and begin securing the roads to the area. Due to the potential for extreme fire behavior and rapid fire spread, firefighters may have to disengage from the fire and aircraft may have to be grounded for firefighter safety.

**Community Meetings:** Great Basin Team 5 and local agency representatives will hold a community meeting for residents to provide an overview of the fire, and to answer questions. For those unable to attend in person, please see [www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF](https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF) to view the live feed.

WHERE: Piute High School Auditorium, 555 N 100 W St, Junction, UT 84740 and a Watch Party will be hosted at the Marsvale Community Center at 215 N 100 W St, Marysville, UT 84750.

WHEN: Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.

**Weather and Fire Behavior:** Fire behavior was moderated yesterday by cooler temperatures, cloud cover, and low winds. Up to ½ inch of rain fell in some parts of the fire as a storm stalled over the area.

A particularly dangerous situation red flag warning has been issued for the area today and will extend into tomorrow due to low relative humidities and wind gusts between 40 and 45 mph. Sustained windspeeds will be between 25 and 35 mph. Extreme fire behavior and rapid fire spread may occur as humidities dwindle and winds increase.

**Smoke:** Increasing smoke is expected due to increases in fire activity. Air quality in Marysville and Richfield will be heavily impacted as smoke falls onto the area. Periods of unhealthy conditions may persist.

**Evacuations and Closures:** Fishlake National Forest closures are in effect; see the Fishlake National Forest's Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF> for details. For current evacuation information see <https://www.facebook.com/PiuteCountySO> for Piute County and <https://www.facebook.com/bcsoutah> for Beaver County. State Highway 153 is CLOSED in both directions.

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