



FIRE INCIDENT UPDATE

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Start Date: Monday, June 15, 2026

Cause: Lightning

Location: 15 miles north of Globe, AZ

Acres: 3271

Containment: 0%

Evacuations: None

Resources: 4 engines, 3 crews, 1 ambulance, 1 water tender, miscellaneous overhead

Sycamore Fire Update Friday, June 19, 2026

Highlights: The increase in acreage was due to an improved assessment of the fire area. Crews continued to improve roads for use as firelines and cool hotspots. The Central West Zone Type 3 Incident Management Team assumed command of the incident Friday morning.

Summary: Firefighters are utilizing both direct extinguishment and indirect confinement methods as part of a full suppression strategy. Thursday, minimal fire activity was observed across the fire area due to cloud cover and increased relative humidity. Crews worked where it was accessible on the north side of the fire from Forest Service Road (FSR) 645 to cool hot spots, and further to the south and east from FSR 217 with a hand crew and Type-1 helicopter. Today, personnel will continue to apply direct extinguishment methods on the north and southeast sides of the fire. If conditions permit, firing operations may be used in small areas around and along FSR 217 to prevent the fire from progressing further to the southeast past FSR 217.

Weather: The high temperatures will return to seasonable norms, ranging from 88 to 102 degrees. The relative humidity is expected to drop into the single digits by afternoon. Winds will be 5-15 mph with gusts to 20 mph. The drier air may contribute to increased fire behavior in the coming days.

Safety: Firefighter safety is the number one priority on the Sycamore Fire. The fire is burning in remote areas with poor access. There are cliffs and canyons across the fire area, which increase complexity of fire extinguishment.

Fire Restrictions: [Stage 1 fire restrictions and emergency shooting restrictions are currently in place on the Tonto National Forest](#) – no campfires, smoking, or discharging firearms; or use of charcoal, coal, or briquettes. Only fires within provided Forest Service fire rings in developed campgrounds and propane devices permitted.

Closures: [The Sycamore Fire Public Safety Closure](#) was implemented June 17, 2026. The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety due to firefighting operations and fire danger associated with the uncontrolled Sycamore Fire on the Tonto National Forest.

Incident Information: <https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/aztnf-sycamore>

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