Cottonwood Fire

Friday, July 10, 2026

Contact Fire Information: 435.485.5456 / 2026.cottonwood@firenet.gov
https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/incident-information/utfif-cottonwood-fire
Facebook: www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF / www.facebook.com/utahfireinfo

Fire Statistics:

Start Date: 6/22/2026
Cause: Under Investigation
Size: 97,130 acres
Containment: 58%
Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

Resources Assigned:

Total Personnel: 1,175
Crews: 26
Helicopters: 13
Unmanned Aerial Systems: 4
Engines: 41

Current Situation:

Firefighters responded to areas within the Cottonwood Fire that became more active on Thursday afternoon, including getting assistance from helicopter bucket drops in Cottonwood Creek. Active patrols are being maintained around the whole fire perimeter, and ground crews, equipment operators, and air resources are successfully working together to increase fireline containment.

Fire managers are coordinating closely with local officials to allow access for residents and power and water utility personnel when feasible. Crews are removing hazard trees and brush along critical roadways to ensure emergency entry is as safe as possible. Today and Saturday, those with residences in the Hi-Lo up to Kents Lake, Merchant Valley, and Eagle Point areas can get a temporary access permit at the Beaver County Search and Rescue Office at 40 South 100 East in Beaver between 8:30 and 10 a.m. For more information see the Beaver County Sheriff's Office Facebook page.

Community Meetings:

Great Basin Team 4 and local agency representatives will hold a community meeting to provide residents a status update on the fire and planning for post-fire potential flooding. For those unable to attend in person, it will also be streamed live on the Fishlake NF Facebook page.

WHERE: Beaver High School Auditorium, 195 E Center St, Beaver, UT 84713
WHEN: Friday, July 10, 7:00 p.m.

Weather and Fire Behavior:

No cloud cover, low humidity and gusts up to 25 mph are expected today. A trend of cooler temperatures and a chance of weak monsoon moisture is predicted to start Sunday.

Evacuations and Closures:

The Fishlake National Forest has a large area closure in effect which includes roads and trails within the boundaries; see the closure order at https://www.fs.usda.gov/r04/fishlake/alerts. All BLM-managed lands located west of Highway 89 between Bullion Canyon Road, Marysvale, UT and the southern Piute County border are closed; see the closure order at https://www.blm.gov/utah/fire.

Evacuations remain in effect for Hi-Lo Estates, Merchant Valley, Eagle Point, Arrowhead Summer homes and surrounding areas. Find current evacuation information for Piute County at https://www.facebook.com/PiuteCountySO and for Beaver County at https://www.facebook.com/bcsoutah. State Highway 153 from Beaver to Junction is closed between mileposts 3 and 35.

Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are in effect: https://utah-fire-info-utahdnr.hub.arcgis.com/pages/active-fire-restrictions.