



Cottonwood Fire

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Fire and Fuels Advisory

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

www.facebook.com/USFSFishlakeNF / www.facebook.com/utahfireinfo

Fire Statistics:

Start Date: 6/22/2026

Cause: Under Investigation

Size: 94,768 acres

Containment: 42%

Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

Resources

TOTAL RESOURCES: 1,289

Current Situation: Yesterday, crews continued working from Cork Ridge south toward Rattlesnake Peak. Aerial support including helicopters and multi-engine scoopers were critical to crews fighting the fire around Cork Ridge and in the Beaver Watershed. Crews engaged in direct firefighting tactics near Rattlesnake Mountain. Last night, mop-up operations continued in the bottom of the South Fork of North Creek, as well as Anderson Meadows. Today, crews will be engaging in direct firefighting around FS 575 Rd. Firefighters will continue to construct dozer line near LeBaron. Once complete, firefighters will install hose lays along the constructed fireline. Firefighters will be working from the bottom of Rattlesnake Peak up towards the ridgeline and construct fireline heading south. Crews continue to improve fireline near Birch Creek. Aviation is actively supporting firefighters engaged in direct firefighting.

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 to view the live feed.

WHERE: Beaver High School, 195 E Center St, Beaver UT 84713

WHEN: Tuesday, July 7th, 6:00 p.m.

Weather and Fire Behavior: A Fire and Fuels Advisory has been issued for the state of Utah due to low fuel moistures and the potential for extreme fire behavior and rapid fire growth. Humidities remain critical, but increased cloud cover will assist firefighters by reducing direct solar heating. Storm systems are slowly building in the area and may bring lightning and strong winds tomorrow.

Smoke: Unhealthy air quality in the morning for Beaver. Be prepared for rapidly changing conditions. View current conditions at <https://fire.airnow.gov/>.

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.

Governor Spencer Cox issued an Emergency Executive Order on June 25th, 2026, declaring a state of emergency for wildfires and temporarily suspending Utah's usual fireworks laws to prevent preventable ignitions during these historic wildfire conditions from July 2 to July 5, 2026. Stage 2 Fire Restrictions are in affect - <https://utah-fire-info-utahdnr.hub.arcgis.com/pages/active-fire-restrictions>

Great Basin Incident Management Team 5

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