Cottonwood Fire

Monday, July 6, 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: 95,807 acres
Containment: 47%
Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

Resources

TOTAL RESOURCES: 1,289

Current Situation: Yesterday, crews continued mop-up operations around several areas of the fire including around Eagle Point, Oak Creek, and in the bottom of South Fork of North Creek. Firefighters finished handline around the LeBaron meadows area. The fire remained active until around 2:00 am and crews utilized IR flights to find remote spot fires in timber stringers. Today, firefighters will continue to build handline tying into the Little Twist burn scar. Mop-up operations continue along Cork Ridge, in South Fork of North Creek, in LeBaron, and in Anderson Meadows. Dozer crews are working to establish line in Anderson Meadows. Crews will then install a hose lay along the dozer line. Firefighters will be using IR flights and UAS to find spot fires burning in the interior of the fire perimeter so that they can target individual spot fires. Aircraft was utilized yesterday to work remote sections of the fire that are difficult for firefighters to reach.

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. Today is a day of concern due to increased chances of convection, increased chances of lightning, and gusty outflow winds that could exceed 45 mph.

Smoke: Unhealthy air quality in the morning for Beaver. Additional smoke impacts from Richfield south to Junction along the Sevier River valley during the evening. There is a chance of dry lightning this afternoon. These storms will be capable of producing strong winds that can quickly change smoke conditions. 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.

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