Cottonwood Fire

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

Fire and Fuels Advisory

Contact Fire Information: 435-485-5456 / 2026.cottonwood@firenet.gov
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: 95,934 acres
Containment: 56%
Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

Resources

TOTAL RESOURCES: 1,252

Current Situation: Great Basin Team 5 will begin their transition with Great Basin Team 4. Great Basin Team 4 will assume command of the incident tomorrow, July 8th, at 0600. Yesterday, mop-up operations continued around the Skyline area. UAS infrared (IR) flights were utilized for multiple "seek and destroy" missions across the fire landscape where IR cameras find isolated spot fires. Firefighters can then target the spot fires with direct firefighting tactics or utilize aircraft. Firefighters and dozers tied into FS Rd 575. Today, crews will continue chipping and line improvement operations on Little Twist. UAS IR flights will continue to be utilized across the fire area. Handcrews and dozers will improve roadways around the Birch Creek area. Firefighters are engaging in mop-up around Eagle Point, Cork Ridge, the South Fork of the North Fork, and LeBaron.

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: Today will see less chances of thunderstorms, but isolated lightning strikes may occur. Humidities will remain low. Winds will remain low throughout the day, but gusts of 25 mph may occur. Low humidities and gusty winds can cause sudden changes and increases in fire behavior.

Smoke: Moderate to USG air quality in Beaver this morning. Similar pattern of smoke impacts on Wednesday. There is a chance of dry lightning this afternoon. These storms will be capable of producing strong winds that can quickly change smoke 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