



Cottonwood Fire

Saturday, July 4, 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: 94,417 acres

Containment: 25%

Location: Fishlake National Forest, Beaver, UT

Resources

TOTAL RESOURCES: 1,305

Current Situation: Fire was active in the South Fork of North Creek again yesterday afternoon as temperatures continue to increase and humidities decrease. Crews in the area worked to maintain fireline by securing any spot fires and constructing direct handline down to the creek bottom. Firefighters have connected the dozer line from Baldwin Ridge to Cork Ridge and handcrews work to strengthen the constructed line. Last night, low overnight humidity recoveries resulted in active fire behavior. Crews monitored actively burning areas and utilized UAS to scout timber strands for fire. Today, firefighters will continue to build line connecting Cork Creek to Rattlesnake Peak along with heavy equipment including dozers. Crews utilized aerial fire retardant drops to strengthen line in the Anderson Meadows area.

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, 7:00 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. Continued warming and drying conditions will continue through the weekend. Temperatures will continue to increase and humidities will decrease. Winds will shift from the southwest to the west. Fire behavior is expected to increase due to weather conditions.

Smoke: Smoke will continue to impact nearby communities with up to Unhealthy air quality at times.

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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