



# Fire Update

For Immediate Release

**Milford Flats  
Fire**  
Kanosh, Utah

July 12, 2007, 08:00 am

**Fire Information Center:** 1-435-759-2452  
1-435-759-2464  
1-435-759-2458

## Fire Facts

**Date Started:** July 06, 2007

**Cause of Ignition:** Lightning

**Location:** West of I-15, north of Milford-UT  
and South of Fillmore UT

**Size:** 351,549 acres

**Percent Contained:** 40%

**Time of Containment:** No Estimation

**Number of Personnel:** 536

**Aircraft:** 2 Type 1 and 1 Type 3 Helicopters

**Equipment:** 34 Engines, 10 Bulldozers, 5 Water Tenders,

**Crews:** 3 Type 1 and 9 Type 2

**Cost to date:** \$1,900,000

**Structures Lost:** 1 summer home, 2 out buildings

## Yesterday's Fire Activity

Spread continued on the north and south ends of the fire today. Crews made good progress and dozers were used to slow fire spread. Control lines in these areas were completed and will be reinforced tomorrow. All other portions of the fire exhibited creeping and smoldering behavior, with no significant growth.

A night shift will continue tonight, where crews will continue to protect the Cove Fort area and patrol I-15 to prevent any potential fire from crossing the interstate, and will provide suppression actions on the northern end of the fire.

## Today's Planned Activity

Today's focus will be to extend and improve dozer and handlines along the southern edge of the fire located on the Mineral Mountains. On the northern end of the fire, near Clear Lake, dozer lines will be constructed and natural barriers will be utilized in an attempt to halt the fire's northern progression.

Structure protection will continue within the Cove Fort area, and mop up activities will be prioritized in this area. Protection of the I-15 and I-70 corridors will also continue.

Dry thunderstorms and gusty erratic winds are expected again today. Relative humidity will increase with a greater chance for measurable precipitation. Firefighters will continue to monitor changing weather conditions.

There is currently no eminent threat to public safety and there are no current plans for evacuation of residents. Depending on fire activity in the vicinity of Mandersfield Utah, it may be necessary to temporarily close Interstate 15 for the safety of public travelers and for the firefighters conducting suppression operations.

## Other Important Messages

Fire danger remains high and the public is encouraged to be careful with fire especially when leaving established recreational areas or roadways. For specific information on area closures and fire information, contact your local BLM, Forest Service, or Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands. Drivers are cautioned to reduce speeds when ever fire personnel or equipment is present.

For updated road and closure information, please dial 511, Utah Department of Transportation.

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