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Pine Canyon Fire Being Managed for Resource Benefits

RICHFIELD, Utah— The Richfield Field Office is managing a lightning-caused fire for resource benefits that is burning approximately six miles south of Greenwich, UT. The Pine Canyon Fire is started on June 21 and is estimated at four acres.

“The fire is burning primarily in juniper and sage brush,” said Field Office Manager Cornell Christensen. “Potential benefits of this fire include the reduction of hazardous fuels and an increase in browse for deer and elk.”

The fire size increased slightly yesterday, burning a quarter to half an acre. Fire managers expect the fire to continue to increase in size with the weather remaining hot and dry.

More information will be available as conditions change.

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