

# Manti-La Sal National Forest Sanpete Ranger District

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Wildfire Update – Porcupine Fire

**Start Date:** Saturday, July 23, 2016

**Location:** Porcupine Ridge, Approximately 7 miles southeast of Mayfield, UT

**Elevation:** 9,000 feet

**Cause:** Lightning

**Legal Location:** Township 20 South, Range 2 East, in Section 21

**Jurisdiction:** Sanpete Ranger District, Manti La Sal National Forest

**Fire Size:** Approximately 158 acres (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field)

**Fire Summary:** The Porcupine fire had minimal growth yesterday and is still estimated at 158 acres. Crews continued to improve control lines to check fire spread to the north. The fire is being managed to achieve resource objectives and management points have been identified. Objectives are fuels reduction, cleaning up old dead and down wood, and reducing conifer encroachment in aspen. A red flag warning remains in effect for dry thunderstorms and gusty winds.

#### Closures:

Road and trail closures are in place to ensure public and firefighter safety during fire operations. Roads and trails affected by the Porcupine Fire closure area:

- (Unnamed Forest Service Road) (FSR # 1272)
- (Unnamed Forest Service Road) (FSR # 1212)
- Victim Ridge Trail (Forest Service Trail) (FST # 127)

These roads are restricted to vehicles under 2500 lbs GVW and will have a 10 mph speed limit:

- Beaver Creek Road (FSR #0290)
- Clear Creek Flat Road to Woods Lake (FSR #0159)

These closures will be in effect from the date signed until August 31, unless rescinded.

**Structures:** No structures threatened.

**Percent Contained:** 0%

**Fuels:** Subalpine Fir with an understory of timber litter, grass, and shrubs.

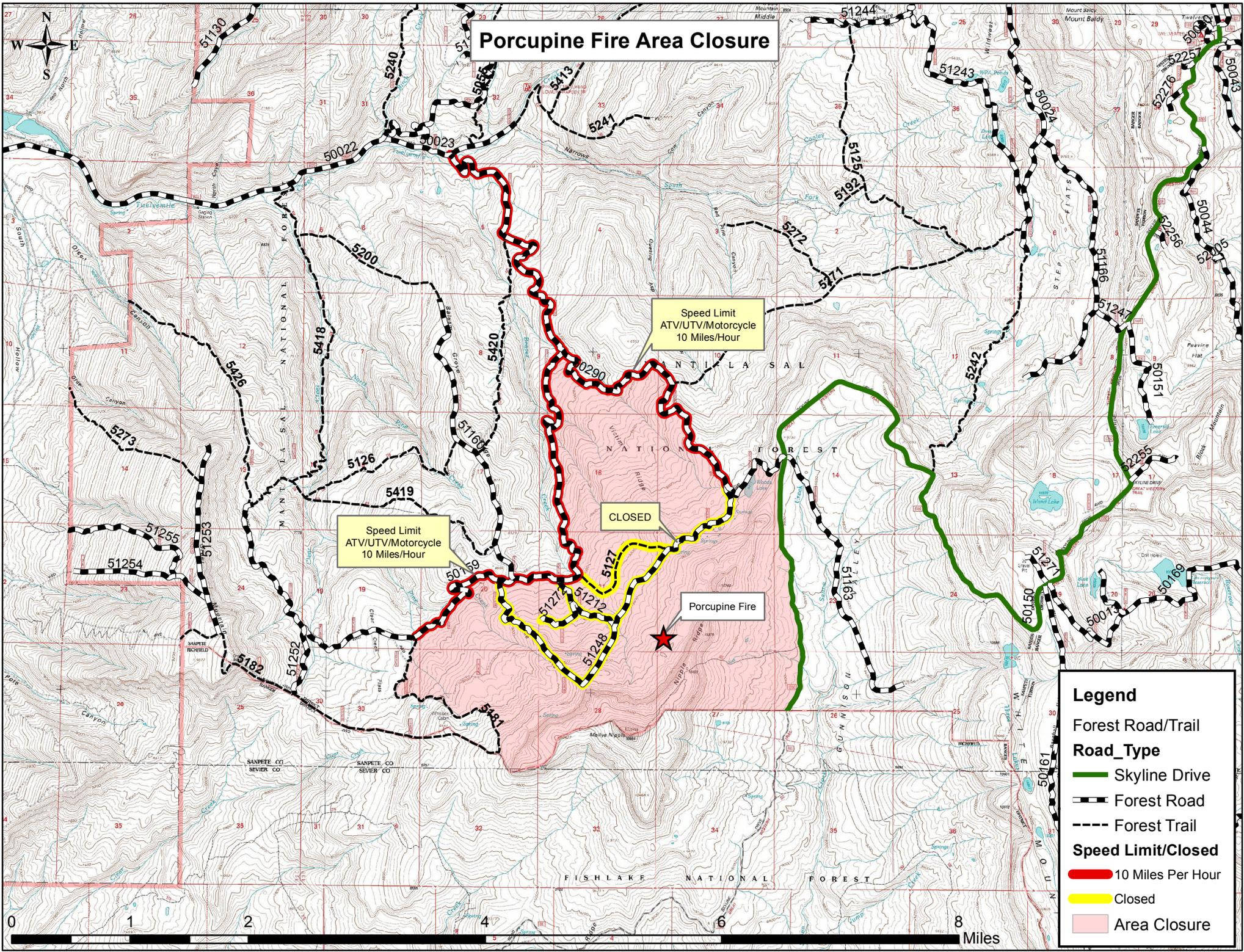
**Fire Crews/Resources:** Crews include Tusher Mountain Fire Use Module and the Skyline Handcrew. They will be monitoring the fire and improving control lines to keep the fire in desired areas.

For more information on fires in Utah visit [www.utahfireinfo.gov](http://www.utahfireinfo.gov).

For more information on fires across the country, visit [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org)



# Porcupine Fire Area Closure



Speed Limit  
ATV/UTV/Motorcycle  
10 Miles/Hour

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Porcupine Fire

**Legend**

Forest Road/Trail

**Road\_Type**

- Skyline Drive
- Forest Road
- Forest Trail

**Speed Limit/Closed**

- 10 Miles Per Hour
- Closed
- Area Closure