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Wildfire Fact Sheet- Black Mountain Fire

Note: Get the latest fire updates on Twitter @UtahWildfire

(Use hashtag #BlackMountainFire)

Summary: Critically dry conditions, coupled with wind advanced the fire further south, into Iron County Wednesday. The fire continues to burn actively as firefighters strive to organize today's fire suppression actions. All unpaved roads surrounding the fire area are closed for public safety. Smoke and ash may continue to impact Beaver and Iron Counties today.

Start Date: Tuesday, July 2, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Three miles south east of Minersville, Utah. The fire is burning in Beaver and Iron Counties.

Jurisdiction: Bureau of Land Management (Color Country District) and Utah State Lands (Forestry, Fire and State Lands).

Fire Size: 4,000 acres. (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field).

Cause: Lightning.

Fire Behavior: Group Tree torching and short fire runs are currently being observed.

Closures: Chalk Hollow, Maple Springs, Black Mountain and the Camel Hollow Roads are closed.

Structures: One cabin is currently threatened.

Percent Contained: 5%

Fuels: Pinyon and Juniper, Cheatgrass and Brush.

Fire Crews/Resources: 5 Fire Engines, 2 Water Tenders, 4 Hand Crews, 2 Type I Helicopters, 1 Type III Helicopter, 1 Air Attack Platform, 3 Single Engine Air Tankers (SEATS), 2 Dozers, and Various Overhead. Approximately 200 personnel are currently assigned to the fire.

Evacuations: No evacuations are currently in effect.

Injuries: Two firefighters were transported to the hospital Wednesday for dehydration and heat exhaustion. They are both expected to make a full recovery.

For more information on fires in Utah visit www.utahfireinfo.gov.

