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Lightning Ignites Lava Wildland Fire on Arizona Strip

St. George—A Color Country Interagency Type III Incident Management Team is currently managing the “Lava Fire” burning on the Arizona Strip approximately 60 miles southeast of St. George, Utah. As of Tuesday evening, the fire was approximately 200 acres in size. The fire, burning on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) began on July 25 from lightning. For the first week the fire grew little but with drying conditions has grown to its current size. Arizona Strip District Fire Managers have been monitoring fire growth from the start of the fire. No structures are threatened in this remote location.

The “Lava Fire,” is burning in Ponderosa pine and mixed brush. The Type III Incident Management Team managing the fire includes a variety of interagency resources with one helicopter, one fixed wing, two type two hand crews, one type one hand crew, three engines, and one water tender.

Depending on the fire activity, the public should be prepared for potential closure of Mohave County 5 road from the BLM Nixon Administrative Site to the Toroweap Road. Other two track roads in the area may be closed as needed.

The fire is being managed for multiple objectives including achieving desired future conditions for the vegetation and protecting the values at risk including archeological sites and monument objects such as the ponderosa pine ecosystem and goshawk habitat.

For More Information: *For more information on fire activity in southwestern Utah, call the Color County Fire Information Hotline at 1-866-447-1283. For more information on wildland fires burning in Arizona go to: <http://wildlandfire.az.gov/> or for wildfire info in Utah visit www.utahfireinfo.gov. For more information on fires across the country, visit www.inciweb.org.*