

News *fire information*

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Wildfire Fact Sheet- Reserve

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Summary: The fire located east of the Cottonwood Spring Road in Washington County is burning actively on the south flank and is visible from the St. George area and Interstate 15. Aircraft successfully dropped retardant lines around 75 percent of the fire's perimeter as hand crews are now arriving to follow up with fire line construction efforts. Multiple structures remain threatened. Mesa Rim Trail and Black Gulch Trail are both closed due to unsafe conditions for public access.

Start Date: Monday, August 13, 2012 at 11:00 p.m.

Location: Located north of St. George, near the Mesa Rim Trail in Washington County, Utah

Jurisdiction: Bureau of Land Management: Color Country District, US Forest Service: Pine Valley Ranger District, and State of Utah: Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands.

Fire Size: Approximately 500 acres. (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field).

Cause: Lightning.

Fire Behavior: The fire is actively burning, short fire runs and group tree torching is being observed.

Closures: No closures.

Structures: Multiple structures are threatened.

Percent Contained: 10%

Fuels: Pinyon and Juniper, Cheatgrass and Brush.

Fire Crews/Resources: 8 Fire Engines, 3 Hand Crews, 2 Squads, and 5 Single Engine Air Tankers (SEATS), 1 Air Attack Platform, and Various Overhead. Approximately 96 personnel are enroute or currently assigned to the fire.

Evacuations: No evacuations are currently in effect.

Injuries: No injuries have been reported.

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