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Wildfire Fact Sheet

Note: Get the latest fire updates on Twitter @UtahWildfire
(Use hashtag #Toquerville)

Summary: Fire behavior decreased last night. Firefighters are optimistic that good progress and more containment will be achieved today if favorable weather conditions exist. A GPS, helicopter flight is planned for around 11:00 a.m., providing an accurate fire size and detailed information of how to manage the fire efficiently and safely. An update will be sent out at that time upon availability. Follow us on Twitter @UtahWildfire.

Start Date: Monday, May 01, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

Location: Northeast of Toquerville, Utah off of Highway 17.

Jurisdiction: City of Toquerville and Bureau of Land Management Land.

Fire Size: 500 acres (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field). Acreage is currently estimated and has not yet been verified using GPS mapping.

Cause: Human caused, debris burning was the specific cause.

Fire Behavior: Fire behavior is minimal this morning.

Closures: No road closures.

Structures: No structures are currently threatened.

Percent Contained: 30%

Fuels: Cheatgrass, mixed brush, and scattered pinyon and juniper trees.

Fire Crews/Resources: Various fire personnel are assigned to the fire including 2 helicopters, 13 fire engines, 4 hand crews, 3 water tenders and miscellaneous overhead. Agencies fighting the fire include the Hurricane, Leeds, Washington, St. George, and Hildale Fire Departments, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Forestry, Fire and State Lands, and the US Forest Service.

Evacuations: No evacuations are in affect.

Injuries: Two firefighters were injured yesterday (heat illness). Injuries were not life threatening.

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