

News

fire information

Bureau of Land Management AZ Bureau of Land Management UT
Dixie National Forest Zion and Bryce National Parks
Utah, Forestry, Fire, and State Lands Bureau of Indian Affairs



For Immediate Release
August 06, 2011: Afternoon Update

Contact: Nick Howell
Wrangler Fire Information Officer
Phone: (435) 590-4821

Wrangler Wildfire Fact Sheet

Note: For information on a different incident, please call (435) 559-3154

Start Date: Friday, August 05, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.

Location: 15 miles north of Cedar City, 5 miles west of Minersville, Utah near Badger Peak

Jurisdiction: Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Fire Size: 8,450 acres (Note: one acre is equivalent to one football field)

Cause: Lightning

Fire Behavior: Today's fire behavior is moderate. Isolated torching and problematic fire behavior is being observed.

Closures: All dirt roads located on public lands surrounding the fire perimeter are closed. Most of these roads closed run parallel to Thermo Road west of Minersville. No major highways or travel corridors are currently closed.

Structures: No structures are threatened

Percent Contained: 30%

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

Fire Crews/Resources: 120 fire personnel are assigned to the fire including 3 helicopters, 3 single engine air tankers (SEATS) and miscellaneous overhead. Agencies fighting the fire include the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Forestry, Fire and State Lands, US Forest Service – Dixie National Forest, Bureau of Indian Affairs, local municipal fire departments including Brian Head and Santa Clara Fire Departments.

Evacuations: No evacuations are in affect

Injuries: No injuries have been reported

Other: Aerial resources and ground crews are working to gain further containment on the fire. Fire crews conducted a successful, 10 mile firing operation last night and slowed the north flank fire progression. Crews were also able to contain a 50 acre “slop-over” today that occurred on the fire’s perimeter.

For More Information: *For more information on fire activity in southwestern Utah, the public can call the Color County Fire **Information Hotline at 1-866-447-1283**. For more information on fires in Utah visit www.utahfireinfo.gov. For more information on fires across the country, visit www.inciweb.org.*