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Box Creek Fire Information
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Box Creek Fire Information - June 9, 2012

Start: 6/4/2012

Location: Approximately 5 miles northwest of Greenwich, Utah

Cause: Human

Size: Estimated at 2,018 acres. Acreage has been updated to reflect both the prescribed burn acres (839) and the wildfire acres (1,179).

Fuels: Mixed conifer with aspen

Assigned Resources: 11 crews, 5 helicopters, 13 engines, 3 dozer, 3 water tenders, and misc. overhead. Total personnel 352

Observed Fire Behavior: Creeping, Group torching, short range spotting

Containment: 20% - No estimate date for containment

Evacuations: Summer homes and cabins

Closures: To provide for public and firefighter safety an area closure for the fire has been implemented. All trails and roads within the area from the junction of the Forest Roads 2421 and 068 south along Road 068 to the South Fork of Box Creek at the intersection of Road 070/the Paiute ATV Trail, northwest to Dry Creek Ranger Station through Big Flat and then north along the Paiute ATV Trail/Road 083 to Manning Meadows, then north along Road 078 to Road 084 (Monroe Meadows), then east along Road 084 to Road 1163, then north along Road 1163 to Road 081, then east along Road 2421 to the intersection of Road 068 near the Koosharem Guard Station. Additional road closure points are Monroe Mountain Road at Hunt's Lake; Greenwich Road at Indian Flat; Koosharem Road at Milos Kitchen; and Cove Road at Christensen Springs.

Remarks: The fire is being managed under a full suppression strategy. Objectives for the fire include providing for the safety of the public and firefighters, and to minimize impacts to private property. Continued to make good progress on the fire yesterday with air support in conjunction with crews on the ground. Actions planned for today are to continue to hold and improve fireline, and continue handline and dozer line construction around the northeast corner of the fire. Protect structures on private land utilizing air support.

The National Weather Service has issued a Red Flag Warning through 10 p.m. today, for high winds and low humidity.

For information on this and other wildland fires in Utah visit utahfireinfo.gov, for information on fires burning in other areas, go to inciweb.org.

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