



Eastern Arizona Incident Management Team

**For Immediate Release
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Fire Facts

Date started: Tuesday, 6/26/2012 5:30 a.m.	Number of personnel: 268
Location: 15 miles NW of Huntington, Utah	Equipment: 22 engines
Cause: Dry Lightning	Aircraft: 3 helicopters
Size: 19,700 acres	Hand Crews: 5 (20-person each)
Percent contained: 0%	Estimated containment date: none
Injuries to date: none	Cost to date: \$608,655
Property threatened: Evacuated Communities, recreation facilities, guard stations, communication towers, utility lines, gas lines, coal mining facilities. No structures have been lost. Structure protection in place.	

Fire Activity:

Incident Commander John Philbin's Eastern Arizona Incident Management Team has taken command of this fire, bringing with them additional resources to supplement the local firefighters effort. A structure protection group and an air attack group are in place on the fire. More handcrews and aircraft to support them are on order. Extreme drought conditions, bark-beetle-killed trees, strong gusty and unpredictable winds are still driving the fire. Smoke conditions and directions continue to vary with the changing winds throughout the day and continuing overnight.

Significant Events:

Full suppression strategy continues on all fronts of this fire, and structure protection measures continue to hold. Crews have secured utility lines, gas lines and coal mining infrastructure within the fire perimeter.

Closures/Evacuations/Advisories:

Road closures include: SR-31 at Cleveland Reservoir and at Crandall Canyon. SR-284 at Electric Lake. SR-96 at SR-6. Fish Creek and Bear Ridge Roads at Scofield. No Forest Service Area Closure.

Evacuation areas include: Electric Lake, Scofield, Clear Creek, Hiawatha and several youth camps. A major oil and gas field has been shut down, and several working coal mines have been shut down, causing a hardship to the entire community. Carbon County Sheriff's office is coordinating escorted visits into evacuation areas for immediate needs, please call 435-636-3746 for appointments.