

NEWS RELEASE

**Manti-La Sal National Forest
599 West Price River Drive
Price, UT 84501**



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Coffee Pot fire now at 100 acres

Ephraim, UT - A fire started by lightning in the Coffee Pot Canyon area on July 17 grew to over 100 acres this past weekend. It is mostly burning woody material under the tree canopy and is being managed to improve wildlife habitat and reduce hazardous fuels.

The fire is located approximately eight miles north of Indianola and two miles southeast of Birdseye. The Forest Service is monitoring the fire and will take action to suppress the fire if lives and property are threatened.

Smoke and flames may be visible from North Skyline Drive, Sanpete Valley, along Highways 89 and Highway 6. Fire activity may increase this week, depending on weather in the area.

For public safety, the Manti-La Sal Forest Supervisor has decided to close the Right Fork Lake Fork Trail, Forest Service Trail (FST) #326 due to a threat of the fire burning in proximity to the trail. The closure order is in effect September 13 until further notice.

The Coffee Pot Fire is being managed to achieve multiple objectives, including increased wildlife habitat, improved forest health, and aspen regeneration.

Contact Information: If you need further information visit www.utahfireinfo.gov or please contact the Sanpete Ranger District at (435) 283-4151.

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