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News Release

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Box Canyon Fire

Kamas, Utah July 30, 2016 – The Box Canyon Fire is located approximately 2 miles southeast of Ledgefork Campground on the Heber-Kamas Ranger District. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. The fire is burning in steep and rocky terrain above Smith and Morehouse Creek. This fire is being managed in the safest manner possible to ensure the protection of the public and firefighters. There are 55 firefighters, with 2 engines and 2 helicopter managing fire's behavior. The fire has burned approximately 800 acres. Hot and dry conditions are causing the fire to burn actively, creating significant smoke that settles in the surrounding valleys. A red flag warning is in effect today through tomorrow. Thunderstorms with dry lightning is expected.

Some precautionary closures have been put into place for public safety. The Ledgefork Campground is closed, however all other campgrounds in the surrounding area remain open. Also, all roads and trails leading out of Ledgefork Campground are closed. For detailed information, please refer to the closure order map.

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Legend



Closure Area - includes all roads and trails and campground in area

