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News Release

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Box Canyon Fire

Acres: 2,313

Kamas, Utah Aug 06, 2016 –Fire Crews continue to work near the Smith and Morehouse Creek on fuel break lines. A fire module team is camped out at Anchor Lake collecting data and fuel moisture and monitoring the overall activity of the fire. Firefighters were put in place in Erickson Basin to keep fire from advancing into Erickson Basin utilizing 2 heavy Helitankers to slow spread.

Due to the complexity of the fire and availability to more fire personnel there are now 84 resources on the fire. This is allowing other options in how the fire is being managed at this time. An additional 20 person hand crew was added to prep potential fuel breaks in the Smith and Morehouse Creek as well as direct fire suppression. An increase of traffic around the Oakley Town Hall and to and from the Ledgefork campground will continue. Please use caution in these areas.

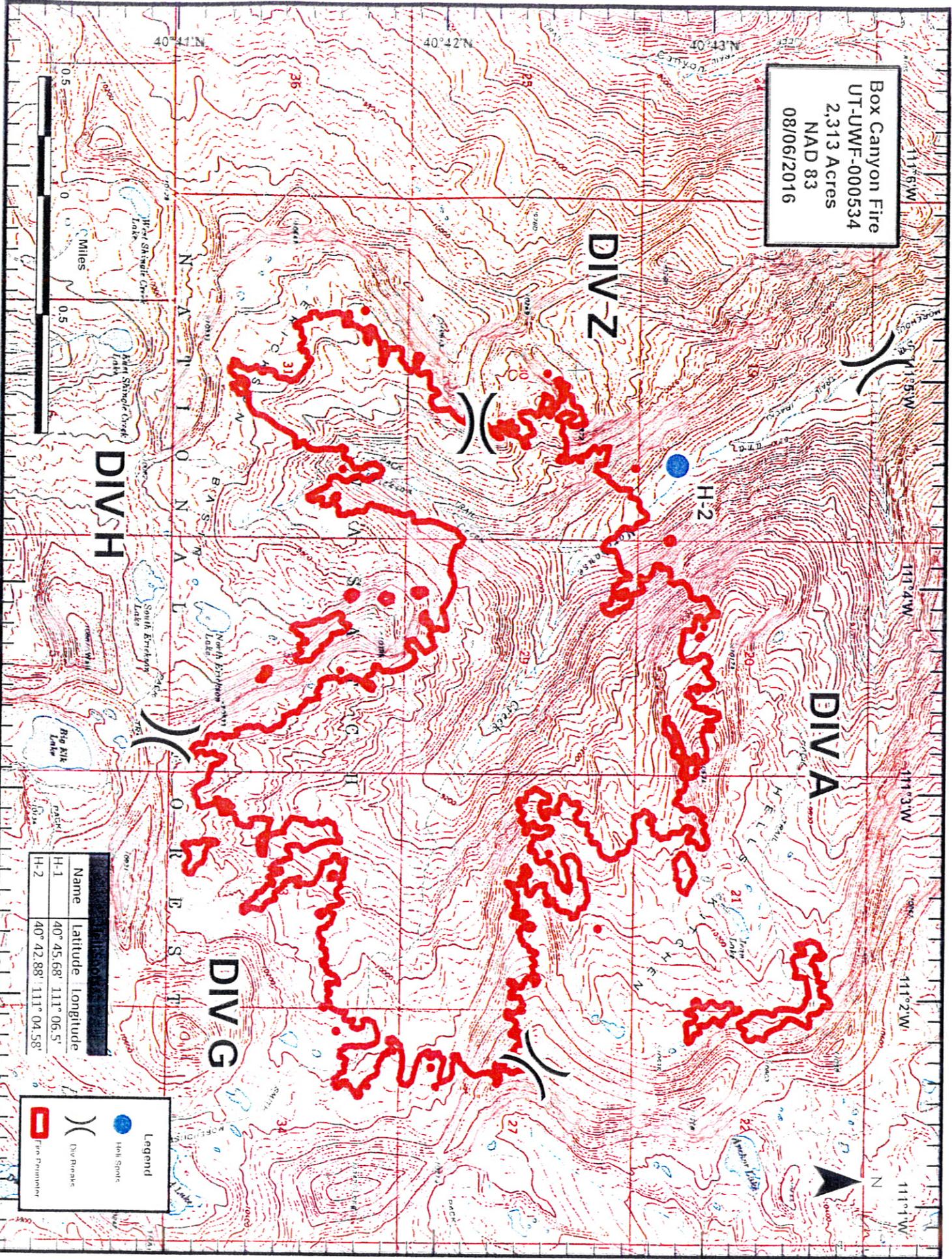
Weather conditions are being monitored on an hourly basis. We are expecting warmer temperatures with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms today. If conditions permit, firefighters will take advantage of the opportunity to continue burnout operations in the northeast and southwest side of the Box Canyon Fire in order to build a buffer that should prevent fire from moving beyond Hell's Kitchen and Erickson Basin.

Ledgefork campground and the boat launch at Smith and Morehouse continue to be closed to the public.

We are seeing an increase in the smoke in the air from fires from all over the western US. For Air Quality information related to smoke from fire please visit: airnow.gov

See inciweb.org for more information on the Box Canyon Fire and other fire incidents nationwide.

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 UT-UWF-000534
 2,313 Acres
 NAD 83
 08/06/2016



Name	Latitude	Longitude
H-1	40° 45.68'	111° 06.5'
H-2	40° 42.88'	111° 04.58'

Legend

- Hill Spike
- Div Perimeter
- Fire Perimeter

