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FIRE UPDATE: WEST ANTELOPE

Syracuse, UT – The 13,740 acre West Antelope Fire on Antelope Island is 35% contained. Engine crews from throughout Davis County engaged the fire directly this morning as north winds pushed it toward the historic Fielding Garr Ranch. More engine crews arrived and worked to contain the fire's spread primarily on the east side of the island where roads exist. Air tankers and helicopters also assisted, slowing the fire's growth and intensity.

Wildlife on the island typically avoid fires and have been observed going about their normal lives. No loss of bison, deer, antelope or bighorn sheep has been observed.

Currently, no structures are threatened and no injuries have been reported. Access to the island via the causeway remains open and the Visitor's Center, Ladyfinger Point and Whiterock Bay beaches and campground are open.

Acres Burned: 13,740+

Containment: 35%

Total Personnel Assigned: 76 on scene, with an additional 40 arriving tomorrow

Aircraft: 2 Single Engine Air Tankers (SEATs) and 2 helicopters

Closures: The east side road to Fielding Garr Ranch and all roads leading south to Buffalo Point and other features south of the visitor's center are closed.

Updates will be posted on Twitter @UtahWildfire and on utahfireinfo.gov

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