

UTAH INTERAGENCY FIRE



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Deer Springs Fire Update

RELEASE
 DATE: July 12, 2024
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STATUS

Start Date: July 7, 2024	Discovered: 1:02 PM
Size: 11,680 acres	Cause: Appears to be human caused; under investigation
Containment: 30%	Location: Skutumpah Road and Timber Mountain Road
Terrain: Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	Structures Threatened: Yes
Retardant used: 275,000 gallons	

RESOURCES

Engines: 7	Water Tenders: 3	Crews: 3 Hotshot crews on scene 2 Type-2 Initial Attack Crew
Aviation on scene: 4 SEATS 2 Air Attack, 2 Type-3 helicopter, and 1 Type-1 helicopter.	Dozers: 3 on scene	Total Personnel: 252

Incident Command: Micah Suwyn, Color Country team 2, Type 3

Cooperating Agencies: Bureau of Land Management Utah, Color Country Interagency Fire, State of Utah Department of Natural Resource - Division of Fire, Forestry and State Lands, Kane County Sheriff's Office, Department of Natural Resources law enforcement, US Forest Service, National Park Service, Beaver Dam Fire Department, and various private contractors and municipal fire personnel from fire departments across the West, including 2 Hotshot Crews, 2 Type-2 Initial Attack Crews, 3 Type-2 Crews, with 1 additional Hotshot Crew on the way.

SITUATION

Current Situation: Yesterday's operations included continued work to secure the fire line on both flanks of the fire, in addition a hand crew that just arrived today was placed in a rugged hard to reach area of the fire to work on some of the hardest to reach line. Crews continued fire line construction to the cliffs' edge on the south flank and handline connecting to dozer line on the west flank. Crews continue to work on containing any smaller fires that migrated off the rim. Operationally, the goal remains to keep the fire to the smallest acres/smallest footprint as possible and utilize standard firefighting techniques using existing roads, natural barriers, and equipment to safely suppress the fire. Rehab work has begun on the northern edge of the fire.

Evacuations: None. Should evacuations become necessary, the Kane County Sheriff's Office will make the initial evacuation notifications through Kane County's Community Emergency Notification System on Everbridge. To sign up for Everbridge notifications, visit <https://kcsosheriff.com/emergency-services.html>

Road Closures: Area and road closures are in effect. On Skutumpah Road between Johnson Canyon Road and Lick Wash the road is open to resident traffic only.

Nephi Pasture and Crocodile parking lots, as well as Nephi Pasture Road are closed to the public as these areas will be used for fire operations only.

We strongly discourage ALL recreational activities in the Nephi Pasture Region and along Skutumpah Road.