



## Northern Rockies/Southwest Area Wildland Fire Management Team

**For Immediate Release**

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**520-609-5316**

### **Horseshoe Fire Update**

**Fire Information: 520-609-5316**

**Website Info: <http://inciweb.org/incident/1966/>**

**There will be a Public Meeting tonight -  
Thursday, June 17, 2010 - 7:00pm at the Portal Fire Department**

#### Fire Facts

Date started: May 26, 2010

Location: 5 miles S of the town of Portal, AZ

Percent Contained: 25%

Number of Personnel: 146

Equipment: 10 engines, 1 water tender

Cost to Date: \$ 8,647,300

Cause: Human, under investigation

Size: 2,862 acres

Estimated Containment Date: July 10, 2010

Aircraft: helicopters 1 large, 1 medium, 1 small

Injuries to Date: 4

On Wednesday, hot and dry conditions contributed to localized fire activity on the northeast perimeter of the fire. The increased activity is limited to the fire backing down drainages and making brief uphill runs during the afternoon. Isolated spotting occurred as well.

On Thursday crews will be continuing hazardous fuels reduction activities along Forest Service Road 42. Please slow down and exercise caution when driving along forest roads. Crews will also continue to mop up along the fireline in the South Fork Cave Creek drainage. Forest Service Road 42D is now open to the public.

There will be a community meeting tonight at 7:00pm (AZ time) at the Portal Fire Department. Members of the Northern Rockies/Southwest Area Wildland Fire Management Team and the Douglas Ranger District will be available to answer questions and share pictures from the fire.

**OPEN:** Forest Service Road 42D. Cave Creek Road (Forest Service Road 42). Crest Trail (#270) and all trails west of the Crest Trail, Rustler Park, West Turkey Creek, and Sycamore campgrounds on the west side. Camp Rucker, Cypress Park and Rucker Forest Camp campgrounds to the south.

**CLOSED TRAILS:** Trails east of the Crest Trail are still closed.

**CLOSED ROADS:** South Fork Cave Creek Road (Forest Road 622). Forest Road 42A.

**CLOSED CAMPGROUNDS:** Herb Martyr, Idlewilde, John Hands, Stewart, South Fork, and Sunny Flat

The Incident Command Post is located next to the Chiricahua Desert Museum in Rodeo, NM. The fire is currently burning on the Coronado National Forest, within the Chiricahua Wilderness.

**Please obey speed limits in the fire area. Be aware of fire crews on the roads. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. For more information on how you can create defensible space around your home visit [firewise.org](http://firewise.org).**

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