A crisp late summer day welcomed fire crews Saturday as patrols of containment lines and repair areas progressed. The recent change in forest closure boundaries has encouraged increased recreational traffic in and around the fire perimeter. Motorists are advised to exercise caution because the Four Corners Fire is still an active fire zone.

Please drive slow, watch for road hazards and avoid firefighters, engines and heavy equipment working in the area. Expect some delays up to 30 minutes on the Anderson Creek 435 road while crews remove hazard trees.

Fire managers report that containment lines in the north and east sides are solid and are showing minimal smoking. But despite regular shower activity the rain hasn’t penetrated the tree canopy on much of the east side.

Crews in the Willow Creek drainage reported continued success patrolling, mopping-up and getting more depth interior. Patrols are actively removing snags in the area. These are dead standing trees that can be hazardous to firefighters and the public. The west edge of the fire is stable with little smoke.

For Sunday, suppression repair and patrol will continue across the fire. Also, a Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation Team (BAER) will continue to assess post-fire conditions for long term recovery. The BAER Team includes natural resource specialists such as hydrologists, biologists, foresters and civil engineers. They analyze the fire’s emergency stabilization needs. They will generate a recovery plan which will be implemented in the coming weeks.

Expect smoke to be visible within the fire perimeter as the fire winds down. Firefighters will continue to monitor the fire area by air and ground and will respond to any fire activity as necessary.

**Weather:** Sunday will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers and a slight chance thunderstorms in the afternoon. Temperatures will be in the 60s with calm winds 5-8 mph.

**Closure Information:** On Sept. 15, the closure perimeter was reduced to allow more access to areas in and around the fire. See map and description at [https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/8331/](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/8331/).

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