



Daily Fire Update



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Bear Lake Fire – September 1, 2015

Current Status: Due to favorable weather conditions the past several days, a direct approach strategy is being employed on the fire to create containment. Crews have been building hand lines adjacent to the northern perimeter of the fire, scouting for potential hand lines and snagging dead trees from the southwest corner north towards Odell Peak.

Planned Events: *The Bear Lake Fire Incident Command Post has scheduled two “Camp Tours” for TODAY, September 1, at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The tours are open to the public and media to explore how a wildfire is managed and the different functions while touring the Incident Command Post. The tours will last approximately an hour.*

Crews will continue mop up and patrol on the western perimeter of the fire and scout for potential hand lines from Stewart Meadow to the eastern edge of the Stewart Fire scar. Crews will continue to assess control lines along Odell Creek drainage and utilize tactical firing operations if fire approaches lines.

Fire Weather: Conditions have dried since the cold front brought rain into the area at the beginning of the weekend. Due to the drying trend, higher southwest winds and lower relative humidity, fire growth will continue north towards upper Odell Creek and Skull Research Area.

Air Quality: Air quality has improved since last week and is considered ‘moderate’. Unusually sensitive people should consider reducing prolonged exposure and heavy exertion.

Start Date August 20, 2015
Cause.....Lightning
Acres 6313
Percent Contained 25%
Total Firefighters 267
Engines15
Helicopter1

Closures & Restrictions: An area closure is in effect until October 31, 2015 and is being continually assessed based on fire behavior and as fire containment increases the closure will be updated. The purpose of this order is to ensure public health and safety from wildfire and fire suppression activities associated with the Bear Lake Fire. ***All Developed Campgrounds and Day Use Sites along the Pioneer Scenic Byway, north of Crystal Park are CLOSED. Grasshopper, Elkhorn Resort, Price Creek and Crystal Park are open. All roads and trails used as boundaries for the area closure are closed as well as any trails leading into the closure area. The Pioneer Scenic Byway is open.***

The Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) can be found at http://tfr.faa.gov/save_pages/detail_5_0170.html.

