

Thompson Ridge Post-Fire Response<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/3430/>**Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER)**

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BAER Assessment Update – June 25, 2013

JEMEZ SPRINGS, NM (June 25, 2013) – The Thompson Ridge BAER assessment specialists completed their field surveys on Saturday, June 22.

The BAER biologist, silviculturist, soils scientists, hydrologists, road engineers, and archeologists continue their analysis of their field data. The hydrologists and soils scientists expect to complete their modeling for predicted post-fire water run-off and erosion levels by Wednesday, June 26.

The BAER team continues to identify critical values at risk and expect to complete their assessment report and submit it by Monday, July 1, to the BAER coordinators at the Forest Service Regional and Washington Offices.

The BAER team completed the burn severity map for the Thompson Ridge Fire. The map shows that approximately 74% of the 23,937 acres within the Thompson Ridge fire perimeter are either unburned or received a low-severity burn, 23% sustained a burn of a moderate severity, and approximately 3% burned at a high severity. The current BAER map can be downloaded at the “Thompson Ridge Post-Fire Response” InciWeb site (<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/maps/3430/>). If additional field data or new satellite imagery is received, an updated BAER burn severity map and burned acreage percentages may change, and the new map will be posted to InciWeb.

BAER interagency cooperators, stakeholders, and tribal government representatives also attended the meeting. Contact information for the interagency cooperators involved in post-fire response for the Thompson Ridge Fire can also be found on InciWeb (<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/3430/>).

SPECIAL NOTE: *Everyone near and downstream from the fire area should remain alert and stay updated on weather conditions that may result in heavy rains over the burn scar. Flash flooding may occur quickly during heavy rain events. Current weather and emergency notifications can be found at the **National Weather Service, Albuquerque Office** (<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/>) website.*

As updated information becomes available, it will be posted on InciWeb at

<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/3430/>.

