

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

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BAER Assessment Update – June 27, 2013

JEMEZ SPRINGS, NM (June 27, 2013) – The Thompson Ridge BAER specialists recently completed their field surveys and are finalizing their analysis and findings. The hydrologists and soils scientists finished their modeling for predicted post-fire water run-off and erosion levels.

The BAER team identified critical values-at-risk and is finalizing their recommended emergency stabilization actions and treatments for these values that will be included in their BAER assessment report along with their data, analysis, and findings. The BAER report is expected to be submitted to the BAER coordinators at the Forest Service Regional and Washington Offices by July 1.

The BAER assessment team produced the burn severity map for the Thompson Ridge Fire. The map shows that approximately 74% of the 23,965 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 are coordinating the post-fire response efforts. 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/>.

