



## East Fork and Center Creek Trail Fire Update

California Interagency Incident Management Team 10  
Type 2 Incident Management Team  
Ashley National Forest - October 4, 2020



**East Fork Fire:** <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7052/>

**Center Creek Trail Fire:** <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/7166/>

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**East Fork Fire:** 74,589 acres, 68% containment. Located 13 miles north of Hanna, UT. Began August 21, 2020, lightning caused. **Center Creek Trail Fire:** 1,253 acres, 0% containment. Located 17 miles north of Mountain Home, UT. Began August 25, 2020, lightning caused.

**Overview:** A **Red Flag Warning** has been issued for today for gusty winds and dry conditions. With today's weather, spotting distances of up to a ½ mile are possible. **Area and road closures remain in effect today and may change during the day if fire conditions warrant.** The public's cooperation with these closures is necessary to continue safe and effective firefighting operations and public safety. If any closures change, the announcements will immediately be made on the websites listed above.

Due to increasing complexity of the incident, management of the fires has transitioned to the California Interagency Incident Management Team 10.

**Today's Operations:** Engine crews will staff the East Fork Fire through the night at the Upper Stillwater Reservoir and observe the fire backing down and moving south. Intense heat remains in this area. Today, Blindstream Road and South Fork will be prepared for firing operations when conditions warrant to create a more secure fireline in an effort to keep the fire north of these roads.

On the northeast corner of the fire, around Petty Mountain, crews will mop up spot fires near the perimeter and provide protection for residences in Yellowstone Canyon and infrastructure as needed. Mop up and structure protection will also be provided in the Moon Lake area. The Center Creek Trail fire showed no movement yesterday and will continue to be monitored.

**Weather:** Northwest winds will be increased from previous days over the Granddaddy Basin and through Fish Creek and West Fork Rock Creek. Afternoon gusts will be 25-30 mph along the ridgetops **and** in the valleys. Because of these winds and low relative humidity levels (12-16%), a **Red Flag Warning** is in effect from noon until 8:00 PM today. Temperatures will reach 71 degrees.

**Resources:** A total of 270 firefighters are assigned. Resources include 6 handcrews, 8 helicopters, 13 Engines, 5 water tenders.

**Closures:** Closures are in effect for the Ashley National Forest and Uintah and Ouray Tribal Lands. The forest closure last changed on October 2. The current closure map may be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/y4da965p> and the complete closure order may be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/yxnh9oal>. The Duchesne County Sheriff's Office has closed county roads in and near the fire area.

**Jurisdiction:** The fires are in the jurisdiction of the Ashley National Forest, Uintah and Ouray Tribal Lands, State of Utah Lands.

