



Tank Hollow Fire Update

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Fire Information: 801-703-0225 or 208-741-9262



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The Tank Hollow fire is approximately 4,717 acres with 40% containment.

Yesterday's cooler temperatures and higher humidity reduced fire activity. The fire did grow, moving down slope into Baker Canyon cleaning understory debris and improving overall forest health. As fuels dried throughout the afternoon single tree torching occurred along the northeast side of the fire.

Crews thinned brush and hazard trees from the edges of FS Road #042 and Mine Hollow in preparation for burning operations. Firefighters will ignite the edges of the roads to create a wider containment line as fire advances north and east. The advancing fire will meet with the backing fire and be confined to the south. In an effort to protect the Desert Transmission line and other values at risk, additional firing operations will be occurring as conditions dictate. Along the southwest edge of the fire crews targeted hot spots along the containment lines preventing any further spread to the west.

Today, temperatures are expected to start rising while humidity declines and winds increase, resulting in conditions that will invite extreme fire behavior starting Sunday. Fire managers have put strategies in place that will help accomplish fire objectives in a moderated and safe manner. This allows low intensity fire to create a mosaic burn pattern where it is not safe for firefighters to engage while allowing fire managers to predict and limit fire spread.

The past few days there have been six intrusions into the airspace over the area by uncleared pilots. A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is still in effect for a seven-mile radius around the fire. Please use caution and do not interfere with air operations. Aircraft intrusions into the TFR over the fire have caused interruptions in aviation missions.

Over the course of the weekend, visitors to the area should be very cautious of fire traffic on roads and fire activity. Those camping in the area should be prepared for further road closures along Indian Creek and FS #043 or to evacuate in case of emergency area closures due to fire spread.

All previous road and area closures are still in place.

Firefighting Resources:

Type 1 Crews (Hotshots)	Type 2 Crews	Engines/Tenders	Dozers	Helicopters	Total Personnel
1	6	2/5	2	5	281