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**CALLS FORT WILDLAND FIRE USE UPDATE**

The Calls Fort, Wildland Fire Use Complex to date has burned approximately 20 to 25 acres. The acreage estimate is done by helicopter and the actual areas will be mapped when the fires are declared out. The fire continues to burn in grass, mountain brush, juniper and Douglas Fir. The Calls Fort Complex consists of four lightning caused fires, which are located on the westside of the Wellsville Mountain Wilderness just north of Brigham City, Utah. The fires continue to be managed for a variety of resource benefits, such as recycling nutrients back into the soil, improving wildlife habitat and eliminating hazardous fuels. Higher relative humidity and some moisture during the week has slowed the spread of the fires and resulted in minimal fire behavior. The fires will continue to creep and smolder until a significant rain or snow event occurs. Smoke from the fires may be visible for the next few weeks, depending on weather conditions and fire behavior. Please note that the fires may be most active during the late afternoons, when temperatures are at there maximum and humidity's are at there minimum.

The Calls Fort Complex will continue to be monitored daily and fire managers will review the progress of the fires and at times may take appropriate suppression action in order to protect life and property or reduce the potential for localized soil movement. No suppression action has been taken to date.

Information about the Calls Fort Complex can be obtained at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf>

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