



Northern Rockies
Team 1

Bighorn Fire Update

June 29, 2020 Morning Update

Northern Rockies Incident Management Team

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Bighorn Fire Inciweb

Bighorn Fire Info: (520) 329-7439 & (520) 276-8981, 8AM-8PM

Media Phone Line: (520) 329-7640, 8AM-8PM

Website: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6741/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/bighornfireinfo>

Smoke: <https://wildlandfiresmoke.net/outlooks/EasternArizona>

Burned Area Response: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6796/>

Weather: 🚩 **RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT NOON TO 8PM TODAY** 🚩

Winds will gust to 40 mph and active fire behavior is expected today.

Yesterday's Activity: Helicopters, heavy equipment, and ground crews attacked a spot fire near the Mt. Lemmon radio towers. Backing fire moved slowly away from Palisade Canyon, Scout Camp, and Willow Canyon. Firing

operations continued south from Green Mountain along the Catalina Highway. Fireline construction, structure protection, and burnout operations continued west of Redington near Piety Hill Road (#649), Lone Hill Tank, and Donovan Ridge. Wind driven fire moved east through the Burro fire scar into upper Bullock Canyon. Contingency line prep continued on Arizona Trail, Piety Hill Road (#649) and Redington Road. Firefighters hiked Sabino Canyon and did not find any significant hotspots. Firelines along the fire's south, west, and north sides were patrolled.

Today's Activities: Protection actions will be focused on values at risk on Mt. Lemmon and the east side of the fire. Resources will work to hold and contain the 3-acre spot fire near the Mt. Lemmon radio towers. Crews will continue to hold and improve handline along the Catalina Highway south of Green Mountain. Along the fire's eastern edge, firefighters will work to hold existing line and continue construction and improvement of contingency line along Redington Road and the Arizona Trail. Suppression repair, equipment backhaul, and patrol work will be conducted on the south, west, and north sides of the fire. Sabino Canyon will be monitored and initial attack resources will be available for any new fire starts in the area.

Virtual public meeting tonight at 8 PM at <https://www.facebook.com/bighornfireinfo>.

Evacuation Notices: Visit pima.gov/bighorn or pinalcountyz.gov/emergencymanagement

GO - Evacuate	SET – Be Alert	READY – Prepare Now
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Catalina Foothills, Catalina Highway on the western border and Redington Road on the east Redington community bordered by county lines on north and east East slope of the Catalina Mountains south of the Pima County line and west of the community of Redington Mt. Lemmon, Summerhaven and Mt. Bigelow Lower Catalina Highway/Lower Mt. Lemmon Communities from Organization Ridge Road to South Willow Canyon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Catalina Foothills, bounded by Forest Service boundary on the west and County line on the east 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community of Oracle Portions of east Golder Ranch area Catalina Foothills areas east of Kolb Road within northern areas of Ventana Canyon neighborhoods Peppersauce Canyon to Highjinks Road and Campo Benito Oro Valley areas from Catalina State Park south to Magee Road Catalina foothills areas from First Avenue to Alvernon Way Catalina Foothills between Alvernon Way and Kolb Road, north of Skyline Drive

Sign up to receive emergency alerts at myalerts.pima.gov or pinalcountyz.gov/emergencymanagement.

A temporary flight restriction is in place over the fire area. If you fly, we can't. knowbeforeyoufly.org. **Closures:**

Sabino Canyon, Bear Canyon, and Catalina State Park are closed. Closures and maps at

inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/6741/. Catalina Highway is closed to the public at milepost zero. Oracle Control

Road is closed. **National Forest conditions:** <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/coronado/alerts-notice>

