



**SOUTHWEST AREA TYPE 1
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM 2
JOHN PIERSON - INCIDENT COMMANDER**



Bighorn Fire Inciweb

Bighorn Fire – June 20, 2020 Morning Update

Challenging fire activity will engage crews to the north, south, and east

Acres: 42,798

Percent Containment: 21%

Start Date: June 5, 2020

Injuries: 3 minor heat-related illnesses

Jurisdiction: Coronado National Forest, including portions of the Pusch Ridge Wilderness

Resources: 7 hotshot crews, 13 Type 2 hand crews, 2 Type 1 engines, 26 Type 3 engines, 4 Type 4 engines, 32 Type 6 engines, 5 Type 1 helicopters, 1 Type 2 helicopter, 2 Type 3 helicopters, 18 water tenders, 6 bulldozers

Cause: Lightning

Origin Location: Santa Catalina Mountains

Personnel: 894

Crews have resumed burnout operations south of Oracle this morning, expanding on the work done yesterday evening to buffer the community from the main fire. Smoke from these operations will continue to be visible to the north and west from Highway 77. Air operations will be out in full force today continuing support to the work of fire fighters on the ground.

Fire in Ventana Canyon was active overnight and is expected to reach the bottom of the canyon today, where crews can engage the fire directly utilizing containment lines built last week. Residents will see crews working in the communities south of Ventana Canyon today, assessing potential threats to homes and infrastructure and developing contingency plans should fire move in that direction.

On Mt. Lemmon, firefighters conducted burnout operations last night from Kellogg Mountain tying into Catalina Highway. Today, crews will be opening up the Aspen Trail south to Box Camp to use as a holding feature as the fire in Wilderness of Rocks continues to creep to the northeast. East of Catalina Highway, the fire is expected to cross into the 2017 Burro Fire scar today.

Evacuation Notices		
GO - Evacuate	SET – Be Alert	READY – Prepare Now
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt. Bigelow & Lower Soldier HOA • Community of Summerhaven • Willow Canyon • Peppersauce Canyon to Highjinks Road and Campo Bonito 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community of Oracle • Portions of East Golder Ranch • Catalina Foothills between Alvernon Way and Sabino Canyon Road, North of Skyline Drive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oro Valley area from Catalina State Park south to Magee Road • Tucson foothills area from First Avenue east to Alvernon Way

Visit pima.gov/bighorn for the most up-to-date information on evacuation notices, an interactive map, and county resources. Sign up to receive Pima County emergency alerts at myalerts.pima.gov and Pinal County alerts at pinalcountyaz.gov/emergencymanagement.

Closures: The Coronado National Forest closure order has been expanded to include the eastern portion of the Santa Catalina Mountains. Catalina State Park is closed. View the closure maps at inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/closures/6741/. Catalina Highway is closed to the public at milepost zero. Oracle Control Road is closed.

Fire Information Phone Line: (520) 276-8981 and (520) 329-7439, 8AM-8PM

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

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