



# Fire Update

*For Immediate Release*

# Schultz Fire

June 24, 2010 7 a.m.

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**Fire Information:** 888-679-8393

**Website Info:** <http://inciweb.org/incident/1996/>

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## Fire Facts

Date started: **June 20, 2010**

Location: **5 miles N of Flagstaff, AZ**

Percent Contained: **25%**

Number of Personnel: **961**

Equipment: **56 engines, 11 water tenders**

Resources Threatened: **residences, critical watersheds,  
wilderness character**

Cause: **Abandoned campfire, no suspects**

Size: **14,300 acres**

Estimated Containment Date: **Unknown**

Aircraft: **4 air tankers, 7 helicopters**

Cost to Date: **\$ 2,960,367**

Injuries to Date: **0**

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## General Information:

The Schultz Fire is under the management of Dugger Hughes's Southwest Incident Management Team. The Incident Command Post is located next in Cromer Elementary School off of Silver Saddle Road. The fire is located approximately five miles north of Flagstaff, AZ, and is burning on lands administered by the Coconino National Forest including portions of the Kachina Peaks Wilderness.

## Closures/Advisories/Evacuations:

Highway 89 is open in both directions with reduced speed limits along the fire perimeter; however, smoke may still be impacting visibility. The Coconino County Sheriff's Department lifted the evacuation order Wednesday to allow local residents with identification to return to their homes. Residents should remain aware that fire equipment and personnel will continue to operate in the area.

Smoking and campfire restrictions began Wednesday on the Coconino, Kaibab and Prescott National Forests. Visit the Coconino NF for more information at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino/>

## Yesterday's Activity:

Residents west of Highway 89 were allowed to return to their homes beginning at 0800 Wednesday. The Sunset Crater National Monument also reopened. Wednesday's fire behavior was moderate due to reduced wind speed and high night time recovery of relative humidity. Crews worked hard extending and securing line which also prevented further growth of the fire. The majority of fire growth was due to aerial ignition and backburn operations on the south and west sides.

## Today's Activity:

Fire crews will continue to construct, improve, and burn out line on the south, west and north flanks of the fire. Crews will mop up and patrol along the east side and around structures. Air resources will support ground crews as necessary. Crews are working hard to secure line as strong winds are expected on Friday.

**Cooperating Agencies:** Coconino County Emergency Coordination Center, ADOT, USFS, NPS, BLM, BLM, AZGFD, DPS, APS, El Paso Gas, City of Flagstaff, State of Arizona, Coconino County Sheriff's Department, Summit Fire Department, Red Cross, and Flagstaff School District.

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