East Slide Rock Ridge Fire Update

Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Wednesday, September 4, 2008, 10:00 AM

On the Web at: www.fs.fed.us/r4/htnf or http://www.inciweb.org ICP Info Center (866) 534-9622 -- Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

By The Numbers

Acres: 54,565

Containment: 50 percent

Personnel: 110
Type 2 Crews: 2

Helicopters: 2 Engines: 5 Dozers: 1

Water Tenders: 2

(Cottonwood Ranch, NV) – Fire personnel observed pockets of timber and individual trees burning within the interior making smoke columns visible. This type of fire behavior is expected to continue until a significant rain or snow event occurs.

Today, firefighters will monitor areas where the radiometric mapping showed heat or open flames and personnel observed fire activity from air reconnaissance flights. They will continue to extinguish hot spots and secure the containment line.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to use extreme caution along roadways adjacent to the fire, especially along the Pole

Creek and Canyon Pockets Roads. Fire crews have cut and will continue to cut burned trees posing immediate safety hazard.

A closure order remains in effect for the area surrounding the fire. No roads are affected by the closure. Please contact a local Forest Service Offices and on the Web at: http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/htmf. The closure is in place to provide for both public and firefighter safety and when the danger has passed.