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**FROM :** National Wildfire Coordinating Group

**REPLY TO :** NWCG@nifc.gov

**DATE :** 08/21/2006

**SUBJECT :** SAFETY BULLETIN : Devil's Den Fire 24 Hr. Report

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The attached 24-hour report describes the event that occurred on the Devil's Den Fire, Fishlake National Forest, Utah.



Devil's Den 24hour-report.doc

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**File Code:** 6730

**Date:** August 18, 2006

**Route To:**

**Subject:** Preliminary (24-hour—after the accident) Briefing

**To:** Chief of the Forest Service  
Director of the Bureau of Land Management

**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO  
CHANGE**

**Location:** Fishlake National Forest

**Date of occurrence:** August 17, 2006

**Time of occurrence:** Approximately 1445

**Team leader:** Joel Holtrop, Forest Service / Gus Panos, Bureau of Land Management

**Mission:** Fire Suppression

**Activity:** Extended Attack

**Number injured:** 0

**Number of fatalities:** 1

**Property damage:** None

**Narrative:**

The lightning caused Devil's Den fire was discovered on August 16, 2006. On August 17, 2006, at approximately 1445, during initial attack on the fire, one fire fighter died when fire activity increased. The USFS fire was being fought by an interagency crew. The deceased fire fighter is a Bureau of Land Management employee.

On August 18, 2006, a national interagency investigation team is assembling on the Fishlake National Forest/Fillmore District.

cc:

BLM National Safety Manager

USDA FS National Safety Manager