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San Juan wildfire starts on Fort Apache Agency and cross over onto the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with an evacuation advisory

Springerville, AZ –June 26, 2014—A wildfire called the ‘San Juan’ was reported around 11:43 a.m. on the Fort Apache agency near San Juan Flats and has crossed over to the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest’s Springerville Ranger District (latitude 34,7.968 x longitude 109,39.714).

The wildfire is in mixed-conifer and is currently estimated at 1,000 plus acres, and resources on scene are from the Fort Apache Agency and the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests (ASNFs) and consists of: Four Hotshot Crews, Air Attack, a lead plane, Round Valley Helitack, 1 Seat, Cibecue Fuels, 2 Type 3 Engines, 2 Dozers, and 5 Heavy Air Tankers.

The Apache County Sheriff’s Office has issued an Evacuation Advisory (not mandatory at this time) for the areas of Red Cabin Ranch, Greens Peak Hideaway and the Whiting Homestead. For further evacuation questions call the Apache County Sheriff’s Office at 928-337-4321.

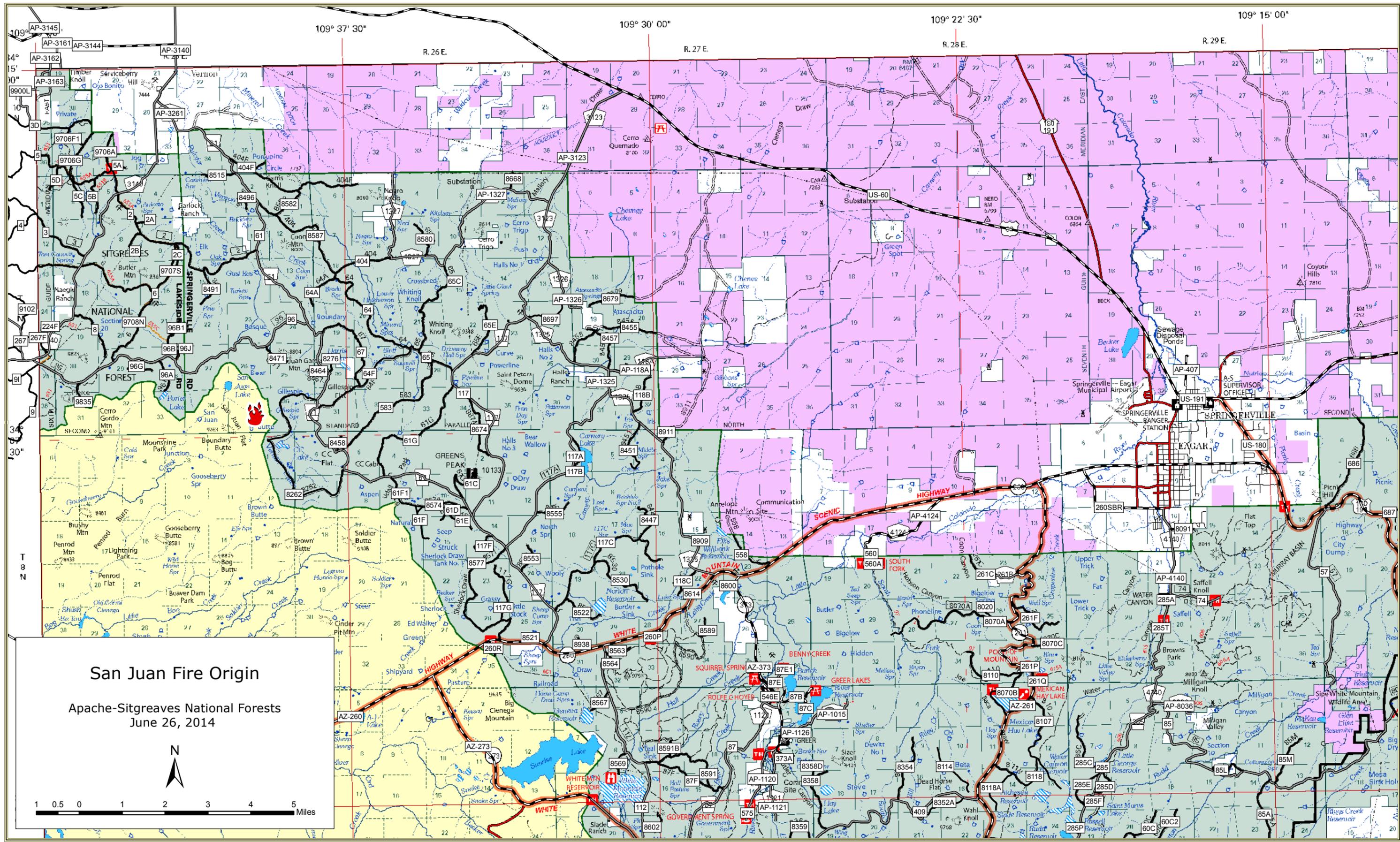
“The San Juan Fire is heading north-easterly into an area where the White Mountain Stewardship Project has been thinning and that will definitely help slow down any fire activity,” according to Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest Supervisor Jim Zornes.

Forest Service Road 117 is closed for public access. The public is advised to look for fire personnel and vehicles entering off highways US 60 and Arizona State 260.

The Fort Apache Agency is the lead agency for the San Juan Fire and will transition to a Type II team sometime Friday. Candy Lupe is the Public Information Officer for the Fort Apache Agency at 928-205-5662.

Updates regarding the fire can be found at: www.311.org and by calling 311 or 928-333-3412 ASNFs website at www.fs.usda.gov/asnf

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