UPDATE: NNSS WILD LAND FIRE

Las Vegas, Nevada - Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) firefighters are working remaining hot spots and securing the fire perimeter in the remote, rugged west central portion of the site.

The burn area is estimated at over 5,000 acres in size. The fire burned in cheat grass and sagebrush.

No structures/facilities are in the fire area.

No radiologically contaminated areas are affected.

Crews are focusing on hot-spots and establishing fire lines along the outer borders of the fire. The NNSS helicopter continues to provide aerial water drops, as needed, on the fire.

There are 25 personnel, numerous brush trucks and engines, water trucks, specially outfitted ATV’s, and the helicopter assigned to the fire.

Additional updates will be made available as warranted.

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The Nevada National Security Site and its related facilities help ensure the security of the United States and its allies by: supporting the stewardship of the nation’s nuclear deterrent; providing nuclear and radiological emergency response capabilities and training; contributing to key nonproliferation and arms control initiatives; executing national-level experiments in support of the National Laboratories; working with national security customers and other federal agencies on important national security activities; and providing long-term environmental stewardship of the NNSS’s Cold War legacy.

The NNSS falls under the jurisdiction of the National Nuclear Security Administration, a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The Site’s operations are government-controlled and contractor-operated. They are overseen by DOE’s Nevada Field Office, headquartered in North Las Vegas.

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