Wildland fire at the NNSS

NORTH LAS VEGAS, Nevada – At 4:48 p.m. Sunday, July 18, smoke was reported in a remote area of the Nevada National Security Site. Fire & Rescue responded and confirmed there is a wildland fire burning in the southwest section of the Site (Areas 25 and 29). Named the “Black Glass Canyon Wildfire,” the fire laid down last night and was watched overnight. Today, NNSS Fire & Rescue has ground crews in place. An overview flight is grounded due to weather restrictions: lightning and heavy rains. The Bureau of Land Management is on standby with assets. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

The fires are not, and have not, burned in any contaminated areas. There is no offsite risk to the public. No structures or assets are in danger. No injuries have been reported.

Please note, Nevada National Security Site lands and air space are restricted. Access is not available for on-site media coverage on foot or by helicopter.

Further information will be provided as it becomes available on the NNSS Twitter page at https://twitter.com/NNSANevada and Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/NNSANevada.

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