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FOURTEEN FIREFIGHTERS TREATED AND RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL AFTER EXPOSURE TO UNKNOWN IRRITANT ON EGBERTS FIRE

Elko, NV – Fourteen wildland firefighters showed signs of allergic reaction during firefighting operations on the Egberts Fire, in Elko County, NV. The firefighters were assessed in the field and transported to a local area hospital, where they were treated and released the same day. There is no threat to public health and safety at this time.

“Firefighter health and safety is our number one priority,” said Ron Bollier, state fire management officer for the Nevada Division of Forestry. “We continue to monitor the situation.”

The source of the exposure is currently unknown and under investigation.

The Egberts Fire was discovered on May 25. It has burned approximately 654 acres and is 95% contained. The fire is currently on monitoring status.

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