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Torrey Open and Monitoring Smoke From Cottonwood Fire

The Cottonwood Fire remains **over 45 miles west of Torrey**, with **significant distance and terrain** between the fire and the Fremont River Valley. There is **no direct fire threat** to Torrey, Teasdale, Grover, or Capitol Reef National Park. **Highway 24 is open**, and the area is fully accessible.

Torrey has experienced periods of **smoke and reduced visibility**, which vary with changing winds. Town officials are monitoring conditions using **local PurpleAir sensors** in Torrey and Capitol Reef and remain in regular contact with **Wayne County Emergency Management** and state wildfire authorities.

Both **Wayne County and the Town of Torrey** have enacted fire restrictions prohibiting **fireworks, open fires, and other ignition sources**. **Local law enforcement is actively enforcing these restrictions** due to heightened wildfire risk. These measures reflect the Town's commitment to protecting residents, visitors, and surrounding public lands.

"Safety is our first priority," said **Mayor Mickey Wright**. "Torrey is not in the fire zone, and there are no evacuation orders. Our restaurants, lodging, and shops remain open and ready to welcome visitors."

Visitors are encouraged to:

- Check official fire updates at **Utah Fire Info** - utahfireinfo.gov
- Monitor smoke and air quality via **PurpleAir** or **AirNow** - purpleair.com
- Follow all **Wayne County and Torrey fire restrictions**
- Support local businesses affected by earlier smoke-related cancellations
- Check updates on Torrey's website and Facebook page – torreyutah.gov and facebook.com/torreyutah

Torrey extends appreciation to the firefighters and agencies working to contain the Cottonwood Fire and protect communities across the region.

Mickey Wright
Mayor, Torrey, Utah