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## East Creek Fire started by lightning

The East Creek Fire, which was reported Monday morning on July 7, in the High Schells Wilderness, continues to burn in steep and rugged terrain. The fire is about two miles east of the East Creek Campground in the Duck Creek Basin, about 25 miles northeast of Ely.

The district is managing the fire in accordance with the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Land and Fire Management Plan, which identifies areas where allowing wildland fire to resume its natural role in the ecosystem would benefit the natural resources.

Firefighter and public safety remain the top priority. There is no threat to human life or property. Area residents, however, may expect to see smoke for the next few weeks.

For wildfire information, contact Margie Apodaca, Acting Ely District Ranger, at (775) 289-3031.

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