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Salt Lake City, Sept 9 – The cause of last week's "Gun Range Fire" above Bountiful was determined to have been caused by a campfire. A joint investigation between the US Forest Service, State Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands, and South Davis Metro Fire Department has resulted in two persons being charged in connection with the fire.

The case began with investigators tracing the fire's origin through the burn area to a small campfire ring near the side of a mountain road. Alert witnesses helped identify two individuals who ignited and were tending the campfire on the night of the wildfire. Investigators contacted the two and they are cooperating.

As with all human-caused wildfires, investigators make extensive efforts to locate the cause and origin. So far this year, 55 wildfires were attributed to campfires. The public is reminded to extinguish all campfires thoroughly making sure they are dead out.

For more information on the fire prevention or restrictions, please visit [www.utahfireinfo.gov](http://www.utahfireinfo.gov)

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