-MOAB HELITACK-

- Moab Helitack is a Bureau of Land Management Wildland Fire Program based out of the Moab Helibase ten miles south of Moab, near Ken's Lake.
- During fire season (June, July and August) the helicopter and crew, consisting of eleven individuals, fly the 6.1 million acre BLM district fighting fire. Our area of coverage includes Carbon, Emery, Grand and San Juan counties. We also fight fire on Forest Service, National Park Service, Utah State Lands and other agency lands throughout the district.
- When our helicopter is fighting a wildland fire, our operating Above Ground Level (AGL) can be 1,000 feet or less. We can deliver personnel and equipment directly to the fire. If the Incident Commander on the fire requests water, we may hook up a "bucket" to the helicopter. This enables crewmembers to conduct "water drops" on the fire. There are also occasions when personnel on the fire may request more supplies; in this case we fly out "sling-loads" or "cargo letdown" the lighter tools and equipment.
- We use to various helispots throughout the district. We are also able to land in remote areas where there are frequent lightning strikes.
- We have a convoy of chase vehicles you may see traveling the roads during the summer to support helicopter operations.
- For questions or concerns, feel free to call <u>Mickey Smith-Kause @ (435) 259-9627 OR Moab Interagency Fire Center @ (435) 259-1850.</u>





Moab Helitack Common Flight Paths

