Lightning blamed for fires on Table Rock

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Lightning is believed to be the cause of two separate fires atop Table Rock in Pickens County.

No injuries had been reported Sunday afternoon and there is no word on property damage as of yet, said Scott Hawkins, spokesman for the South Carolina Forestry Commission.

He said the fires, no more than an acre and a half thus far, were in a remote location.

The fires were spotted by aircraft Sunday afternoon, Hawkins said, but it's possible that one or both of them were started last night.

He said the commission is using aircraft and a helicopter owned by the Greenville County Sheriff's office to help transport crews up to the mountain.

According to reports, the fire was contained Sunday.