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A Good Day on the Stina Fire

Fredonia, Ariz., Aug. 11, 2018 — For Immediate Release. Incident Commander Trainee Dave Veater said, "It was a good day on the Stina Fire." Fire crews were able to make good progress on the east and north flanks of the fire today; preparing lines for burning operations on the north side, placing a hose lay in on the east side of the fire, and assessing the suppression options for the south flank of the fire. The west side of the fire was very active in the mixed conifer, but there was not any significant fire growth today.

Resources:

4 20-person hotshot crews and 1 20 person type two hand crew

9 fire engines

1 bulldozer

Miscellaneous overhead (a total of 156 personnel)

Stina Fire Overview

Start date: July 26, 2018

Size: 1,200 acres

Location: The Stina Fire is 23 miles southwest of Jacob Lake and about 2 miles east of Fire

Point on the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest.

Fuel: Ponderosa pine, aspen and mixed conifer.

Weather: Forecasters anticipate a chance of thunderstorms across the fire area.

Strategy: Full suppression

Situational Update: The plan for today is to continue to hold the line on the northern edge of the fire, assess the western edge of the fire that is below the rim, and continue to prepare fire lines on the north and east flank of the fire, including putting in a hose lay on the eastern flank.

Closures: A closure is in effect for Forest Roads 223 (going to Fire Point), 268, 206, 271, 609, 250 road south of the 250/294 junction, a portion of the 239 and all Rainbow Rim trails and scenic viewpoints south of Locust Point. The trail between Locust Point and Parissawampitts Point will remain open for forest visitors. The closure order will remain in place until it is considered safe to enter the area.

Smoke: Smoke is visible on both the North and South Rims of the park, and there is a regional haze present in surrounding communities from multiple wildfires in the West. Individuals sensitive to smoke can learn how to help protect their health by visiting the Coconino County Public Health Services District website at: http://bit.ly/SmokeHealthAwareness.

For fire information on the Kaibab National Forest, visit www.fs.usda.gov/kaibab and Inciweb under the name of the fire at https://inciweb.nwcg.gov or visit us on Facebook and Twitter @KaibabNF or call (928) 635-8311 for recorded fire information.

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