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Fisher Fire – 9:00 a.m. update

News Conference at 11:00 a.m. at Mormon Lake Work Center

Flagstaff, Ariz. – The Fisher Fire, reported at 3:00 p.m. yesterday, is located near Fisher Point in Walnut Canyon approx. five miles southeast of Flagstaff in the vicinity of the Fisher Fire from last year.

The fire is estimated at 125 acres. The fire is burning in timber on slopes spreading to the East-Southeast away from Flagstaff. Smoke is very visible. No structures are currently threatened.

Today: Due to complexity, a Type 3 team was put in place at 6:00 p.m. Friday evening. Crews are constructing dozer line, direct, and indirect line around the fire anchoring into trails, roads, and the previous Fisher Fire.

Today, we expect temperatures between 59 and 69 degrees, winds southwest 15-20 mph with gusts between 20 – 30 mph, and a low relative humidity around 15%. There is a chance for showers this afternoon.

The public should be aware there are area closures around the vicinity of the fire tomorrow which does include some of the trail system. Firefighters and public safety is the first and highest priority in every fire management activity.

SUMMARY

DATE OF DETECTION: April 11, 2014

CAUSE: Under investigation

CURRENT SIZE: 125 acres

CONTAINMENT: 0%

LOCATION: Fisher Point area

AGENCY: USDA Forest Service

RESOURCES: 6 Hotshot Crews, 2 Type Two Crews, 2 bull dozers, 1 lead plane, 1 type two helicopter, 6 engines and misc. fire personnel are currently on the fire line, 1 type one helicopter on order.

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