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News Release



Fuller Fire Update

Recorded Fire Information: 928-638-7688

National Park Service Grand Canyon National Park Web: www.nps.gov/grca

Crews make good progress on fire breaks, more rain expected

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

Fire: Fuller Fire Completion: 48%

Acres: 14,541 **Start Date:** June 29, 2016

Cause: Lightning
Location: Point Imperial, N. Rim Grand Canyon NP
Total Personnel: 100
Fuels/Topography: Timber, grass, rugged terrain

Personnel continue to make good progress on improving fire breaks along forest roads 610 and 219 as the Fuller Fire saw another day of drying out. Smoke and isolated pockets of heat remain within the burned area and will persist for some time.

Today's forecasted rains might slow progress but also provide needed moisture to cool some of the lingering heat. If the heat lasts through the monsoon, the fire could start to become active again and the work along the forest roads to the north will become a vital piece of the plan for containment.

Fire is a natural part of the landscape in the Kaibab National Forest and Grand Canyon National Park and fire managers use it to help clean up dead down trees and debris from the forest floor. The extended absence of wildfire increases the risk of catastrophic fire in this area, which could have negative impact on vegetation, soil, wildlife, and other natural resources. The Fuller Fire reduces the likelihood of catastrophic wildfire in the future by restoring the natural fire cycle and improving forest health.

This will be the final daily update for the Fuller Fire. Future notifications will be sent out by the Kaibab and Grand Canyon if and when significant changes occur.

There is a closure order is in place for the Kaibab National Forest. The boundary of this area closure starts east of Highway 67 at the junction of FR 610 and FR 611, heading northeast where

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the junction of FR611 and the North Canyon Trail intersect, continuing on the North Canyon Trail to the Trailhead on FR 631, then south on FR 631 to the junction with FR 445A, then northeast along FR 445A to the junction with FR 8910, then southeast along FR8910 to the Forest boundary with Grand Canyon National Park and following this boundary south and west to FR 610 "This Order only affects National Forest System Lands." For a map of the closure, click here.

In Grand Canyon National Park, the North Rim developed area, Point Imperial and Cape Royal viewpoints remain open but pullouts and some trails along Point Imperial and Cape Royal roads are closed. Check with the Grand Canyon National Park at http://www.nps.gov/grca and Kaibab National Forest at http://www.fs.usda.gov/kaibab for more information.

Fire Information:

Inciweb: inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4845

Text Message: text "follow GrandCanyonNPS" to 40404

Facebook: <u>facebook.com/FullerFire</u>
Twitter: <u>twitter.com/GrandCanyonNPS</u>
Recorded Information line: 928-638-7688
http://wildlandfire.az.gov/links.asp#Smoke

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