

## Southwest Area Incident Management Team Team 5 – Jeff Andrews – Incident Commander

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Cause: Lightning

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Name: Boundary Fire Reported: June 1, 2017

Containment: 18% Size: 7,367 acres Resources: 397 personnel

More Smoke in the Air

## Williams, Ariz., June 18, 2017—For Immediate Release.

Overnight light north winds pushed smoke into some communities around Flagstaff with most of the smoke dispersing before dawn. As Sunday progresses, northeast winds are expected to push smoke toward Williams and Bellemont. Individuals sensitive to smoke may want to stay indoors to avoid smoke impacts. Firefighter, public safety, and ecosystem health remain the top priorities for fire managers while keeping the fire within the planning area. Smoke continues to affect Highway 180, especially at night, and may impact I-40 and SR 64 tonight. Travelers are urged to use caution when traveling in and around the fire area.

Aerial ignitions will continue today and into the week on Kendrick Mountain. Ground crews continue to conduct hand ignitions near and around private property. Ignitions will be applied slowly to prevent high intensity fire and to minimize smoke effects to communities and highways.

For more information on the Boundary Fire, visit inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5209/. Quick updates will also be provided via Twitter at @KaibabNF and @CoconinoNF. Please follow us if you would like to be updated as information is received.

**Location**: Approximately 17 miles northwest of Flagstaff, burning in the Kendrick Mountain Wilderness and ponderosa pine forest north and east of the Wilderness on the Coconino and Kaibab National Forests.

Closures: Closure Order Number 04-17-16-F, which includes all or parts of Forest Roads 9005, 9023C, 91, 736, 144, 171, 193, and ending at US Highway 180 remains in effect. This closure includes all roads and trails within the perimeter of the closure area. US Highway 180 closure is planned to be revisited Monday. Temporary flight restrictions, including drones, will remain in place until further notice. For more information regarding highway closures visit azdot.gov or ADOT's Travel Information Site at www.az511.gov.

**Fire Restrictions:** Kaibab National Forest Order Number 07-17-01-F (map) and Coconino National Forest Order Number 04-17-15-F. Stage 1 Fire Restrictions are in effect as of June 15, 2017, at 8:00am MST.

**Trails:** The following trails in the closure area are closed: Pumpkin Trail, Kendrick Mountain Trail, Bull Basin Trail, Slate Mountain Trail, Kendrick Watchable Wildlife Trail, and the 4th Connector Trail. While the Red Mountain Trail is open, it can only be accessed from the valley end of the Highway 180.

