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## North Zone Fire Update: Crews work to "confine, contain" Dog Fire

Fredonia, Ariz., Aug. 21, 2017 — For Immediate Release. Fire crews are currently tending to a new lightning-caused wildfire on the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest and are carefully considering a confine and contain management strategy versus direct suppression. This selective strategy minimizes risk and reduces exposure to firefighters. The Dog Fire was reported to fire officials on Friday and is located in some very rough and rugged terrain at approximately 8,200 feet in elevation both within and directly adjacent to Saddle Mountain Wilderness.

Name: Dog Fire

Date Reported: Friday, Aug. 18, 2017

Cause: Lightning

**Location:** The fire is approximately 4.5 miles northeast of the North Rim Country Store and approximately 18.5 miles south-southeast of Jacob Lake on the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest.

**Expected Actions:** The fire is in a confine and contain management strategy and is estimated at 15 acres. **Fuels:** It is burning in mixed conifer fuel type and although the area did receive showers throughout the weekend, fire activity varied from low to moderate.

**Resources:** 1 Type-4 Incident Commander, 1 Type-3 helicopter, 2 Type-3 engines, 1 Type-6 engine and 2 hand crews

**Weather Forecast:** Fire activity may decrease today as another round of monsoonal showers and storms is forecasted to impact the area today. Storm activity is expected to decrease tomorrow with slightly drier conditions expected throughout the rest of the week.

Additional fire activity updates may be obtained through the following sources:

- Kaibab National Forest Website: www.fs.usda.gov/kaibab
- InciWeb: https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5524/
- Kaibab National Forest Fire Information phone line: (928) 635-8311
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