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## **News Release**

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## Kaibab National Forest to conduct prescribed burn near Kendrick Mountain

Williams, Ariz., June 3, 2015—For Immediate Release. Fire managers with the Kaibab National Forest plan to conduct a prescribed burn tomorrow near Kendrick Mountain on the Williams Ranger District if weather conditions are appropriate in order to reduce hazardous fuels and increase ecosystem health and forest resiliency.

About 339 acres are scheduled to be treated in the Beale project area, which is located directly north of Beale Mountain and Forest Road 786 and just to the southwest of the Kendrick Mountain Wilderness boundary. The maintenance burn is in an area that has been treated with fire in the recent past. It is also surrounded by hundreds of acres of forest that fire managers treated with prescribed burns in 2013 and 2014.

Winds are predicted to be from the south southwest, which should push smoke north and east across Kendrick Mountain. Smoke is expected to dissipate quickly but could still be visible from Interstate 40, Highway 180, and local communities including Parks.

The Kaibab National Forest remains at a fire danger level of moderate and is taking advantage of recent wet weather conditions to implement forest health treatments that often aren't possible in June.

Notifications of prescribed burns are provided regularly and are available through a variety of sources including the following:

- Kaibab National Forest fire information phone line (928) 635-8311
- Kaibab National Forest Twitter
- Kaibab National Forest website

All prescribed burns are dependent on a variety of factors including approval by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. To view prescribed burns authorized on any given day, visit ADEQ's Air Quality Smoke Management Division website.

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