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## **News Release**

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## Kaibab National Forest to host National Public Lands Day event Sept. 24

Williams, Ariz., Sept. 12, 2016—For Immediate Release. Members of the public are invited to a National Public Lands Day event Sept. 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cataract Lake Day Use Area in Williams hosted by the Kaibab National Forest.

The event will include several outdoor clinics, environmental education opportunities, fishing, interpretive presentations, and service projects to clean up the lakeshore and picnic area.

"We are excited to offer an opportunity for the community of Williams to come together to enjoy Cataract Lake, participate in some fun events, and make the area even nicer in recognition of National Public Lands Day," said Lisa Jones, recreation program manager for the Williams Ranger District. "We hope members of the public will bring their families and friends and make this a day to celebrate the outstanding outdoor recreation opportunities we have right here in our backyards."

Community members planning to attend should meet on the Kaibab National Forest side of Cataract Lake at N. Cooper Ranch Road in Williams. Participants are advised to wear clothing and shoes appropriate for outdoor fun and adventure and to bring their own water and snacks.

For additional information on the event, contact Lisa Jones at lljones@fs.fed.us or (928) 635-5619 or Dutch Maatman at jmaatman@fs.fed.us or (928) 635-5661.

This year is the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual National Public Lands Day, which is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands. The goals of National Public Lands Day are to connect people to public lands in their community, inspire environmental stewardship, and encourage use of public lands for education, recreation, and general health.

National Public Lands Day events will be taking place across the country at thousands of sites on public lands. To learn more or to find events, visit https://www.neefusa.org/public-lands-day.

"Please join us on Sept. 24 as your work will help ensure our public lands continue to be beautiful places for all to enjoy," Jones said. "We invite you to take this day to enjoy the great outdoors and celebrate the lands that give us so much."

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