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Boulin Fire Update: 08/16/2019

Williams, Ariz., August 16, 2019—For Immediate Release. The Boulin fire is moving steadily across the planning area as anticipated toward the southwest perimeter. Crews have completed preparations at the Boulin Tank private land and will implement actions to protect this inholding as the fire is expected to reach this point sometime today.

BOULIN FIRE OVERVIEW

Start Date: August 5, 2019.

Cause: Lightning.

Location: East of Spring Valley near The Beale Wagon Trail and forest roads 141, 713, and 730.

Current Size: 1567 acres.

Containment: 10%

Incident Commander: Nick Behrends ICT4 / Tyler Richwine ICT4T.

Resources: One-Type 2 Hand crew, one- Fuels crew, two-Type 6 Engines, two-Type 3 Engines, one-Patrol unit, one-Dozer, and eight- Miscellaneous overhead. Total personnel assigned is 50.

Current Status: With increased wind speeds and the relative humidity percent dropping slightly today, the fire may show an Increase in activity as it continues moving across the planning area to the southwest. A dozer line was established around the Boulin Tank private Inholding to secure the property. Crews will conduct ignitions along the dozer line to prepare for the arrival of the fire which is expected to pass by this location this afternoon.

Fire behavior continues to be very favorable for meeting all the objectives identified for this Incident.

Smoke: Smoke impacts may lessen today as ventilation improves with elevated wind speeds. Gusty winds tend to transport smoke away from the immediate fire area quicker, reducing the volume of smoke that can linger overnight. Smoke will continue to be present and visible from communities surrounding this fire.



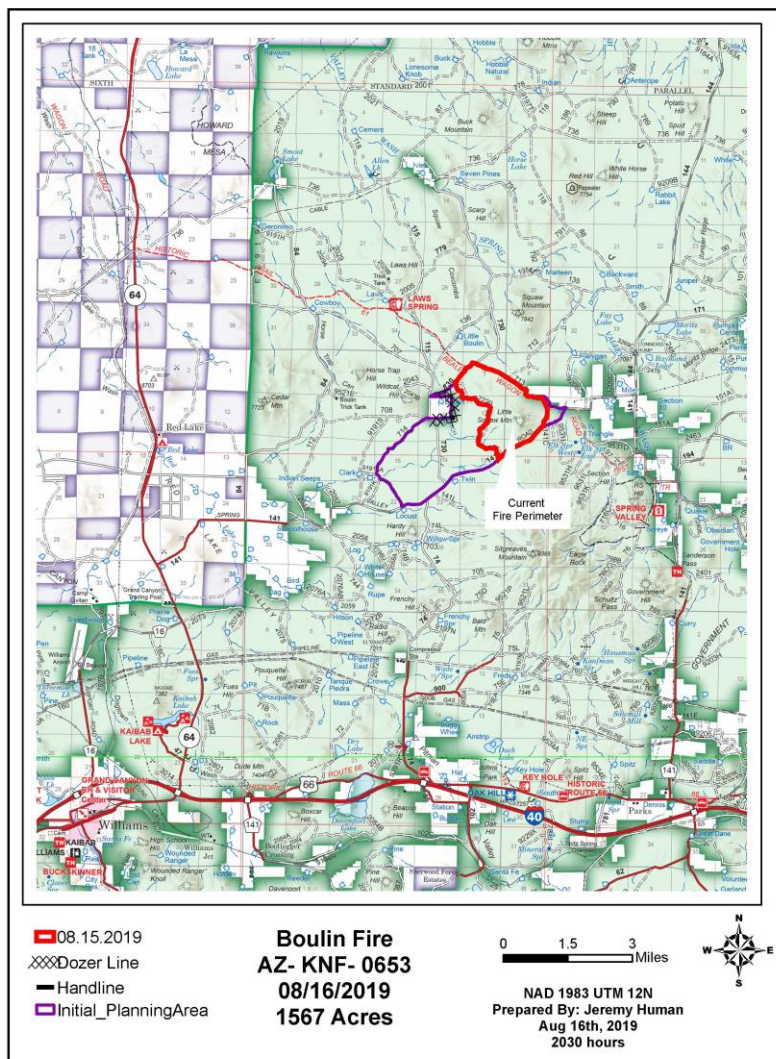


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Additional information about the Boulin Fire, and the Kaibab National Forest can be obtained through the following sources:

- InciWeb inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6511/
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