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# News Release

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## **Kaibab National Forest to offer Christmas tree permits starting Nov. 16; fourth graders eligible for free permit with Every Kid in a Park pass**

**Williams, Ariz., Oct. 17, 2017—For Immediate Release.** The Kaibab National Forest will sell over-the-counter and through-the-mail Christmas tree tags on a first-come, first-served basis for each of its three ranger districts beginning Nov. 16 and continuing until they are sold out.

The \$15 permit will allow the holder to cut a tree of any species that is not more than 10 feet in height within a designated area on the Kaibab National Forest from Nov. 16 through Dec. 24. The tag is only good for a tree on the ranger district from which it was purchased and can't be used to cut a tree on a different district unless specifically noted. No refunds will be made, even if weather conditions prevent access to cutting areas.

Individuals who purchase tags will be provided with a map showing their designated cutting area along with additional tree cutting instructions. The number of available tags and tree species, locations and hours for purchasing the permits, and contact information for each ranger district are as follows:

<b># of Permits Available and Tree Species</b>	<b>Location of Designated Cutting Area</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>	<b>Open Days and Hours</b>
<b>800</b> <b>Any Species</b>	North Kaibab Ranger District  <i>Note: The Kaibab Plateau Visitor Center will be open Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Nov. 26 for tag sales. The visitor center is located at the intersection of highways 89 and 67 in Jacob Lake and can be reached at (928) 643-7298.</i>	Physical address: 430 S. Main St., Fredonia, AZ 86022  Mailing address: P.O. Box 248, Fredonia, AZ 86022  (928) 643-7395	8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. The office will also be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on two Saturdays, Nov. 25 and Dec. 2, for tag sales.  <i>Note: Please bring cash or check for North Kaibab Ranger District Christmas tree tag purchases.</i>

# of Permits Available and Tree Species	Location of Designated Cutting Area	Contact Information	Open Days and Hours
<b>500</b> <b>Any Species</b>	Tusayan Ranger District	Physical address: 176 Lincoln Log Loop, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023  Mailing address: P.O. Box 3088, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023  (928) 638-2443	8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
<b>500</b> <b>Any Species</b>	Williams Ranger District  <i>Note: The Williams Ranger District office will also have 100 tags available for the Tusayan Ranger District.</i>	Physical and mailing address: 742 S. Clover Rd., Williams, AZ 86046  (928) 635-5600	8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Individuals desiring to purchase Christmas tree tags through the mail should contact the appropriate ranger district office for information on the required process. Turnaround time for arrival of tags through the mail is often 10 business days, so individuals desiring these tags should call well in advance to ensure adequate time for their permits to arrive.

The Kaibab National Forest is also pleased to announce that all fourth graders are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit, while supplies last, through the Every Kid in a Park initiative. Every Kid in a Park is a nationwide call to action to connect kids to nature. All fourth graders are eligible to receive a fourth grade pass that allows free access to federal lands and waters across the country for a full year.

In support of this initiative, the Forest Service is making available a free Christmas tree permit to every interested fourth grader with a fourth grade pass or paper voucher. For additional information about the initiative and how to obtain a pass, visit [www.everykidinapark.gov](http://www.everykidinapark.gov). To be eligible for a free Christmas tree permit from the Kaibab National Forest, all fourth graders must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and present their fourth grade pass or paper voucher.

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