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Prescribed burns planned this week

SEDONA, Ariz., April 8, 2019, For Immediate Release — Coconino National Forest firefighters are planning to take advantage of favorable weather conditions this week for prescribed burn operations, beginning as early as Tuesday.

This week's broadcast prescribed burns will target up to 1,800 acres on the Red Rock Ranger District and an additional 300 acres of pile burns on the eastern side of the Mogollon Rim Ranger District. The increased wind speed is a benefit for these planned burns, which are a part of the 5-year plan to reduce hazardous fuels and improve forest health on the Coconino National Forest.

RED ROCK RANGER DISTRICT

Apache Maid Range Project

When: April 9 to 12 (Tuesday to Friday) beginning at approximately 9 a.m.

Where: Two miles southwest of Stoneman Lake. Fire is being reintroduced into the grassland vegetation and to invigorate wildlife browsing.

[\(34.767159, -111.550011\)](tel:34.767159,-111.550011)

Size: Approximately 1,800 acres.

Smoke Impacts: Good smoke ventilation will be to the northeast. Cooling temperatures in the evenings may cause smoke to settle in the Stoneman Lake area, Rarick Canyon and Beaver Creek. Motorists on Forest Road 213 (Stoneman Lake Rd.) will see smoke and will encounter fire vehicle along the roadway.

MOGOLLON RIM RANGER DISTRICT

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When: April 10 and 11 (Wednesday and Thursday).

Where: Eleven miles southeast of Mormon Lake, in the Long Lake area ([34.807472, -111.235136](tel:34.807472,-111.235136))



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Size: Up to 300 acres of piles.

Smoke Impacts: Smoke is expected to travel northeast and should not impact any communities, draining into lower-lying areas overnight.

Prescribed burns are always dependent upon weather and wind conditions, as well as approval from Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). The public can view approved prescribed burns on ADEQ's website at smoke.azdeq.gov. Coconino National Forest burns begin with the designator "COF."

Notifications of upcoming prescribed burns are provided regularly by news releases throughout the season and also by the following online resources:

- Coconino NF's Inciweb page: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/>
- Coconino NF's Twitter account: www.twitter.com/CoconinoNF
- Coconino NF public website: www.coconinonationalforest.us
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