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Fire restrictions to be lifted Monday on North Kaibab Ranger District

Fredonia, Ariz., July 13, 2018 — For Immediate Release. Due to the decreasing risk of fire danger, the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest will lift all fire restrictions across the district on Monday, July 16, at 8 a.m.

To date, many areas of the district have received the adequate amount of precipitation needed to warrant restrictions being lifted. However, visitors are always expected to use caution with campfires and other potential ignition sources.

"Although not widespread, we've had wetting rain events over the past week throughout portions of the Kaibab Plateau," said North Zone Fuels Specialist Dave Robinson. "We urge visitors to camp responsibly and remain fire safe. This means never leaving a campfire unattended – even for a few minutes, and using proper precautions when having a campfire, like drowning and stirring it until its cold to the touch."

The North Kaibab Ranger District first entered Stage I fire restrictions on May 18 and then increased to Stage II on June 8. Because of its location north of the Grand Canyon, the North Kaibab Ranger District frequently enters fire restrictions and then remains in them later than the rest of the Kaibab National Forest, as is the case this year.

Fire restrictions and area closures are implemented when necessary to protect human life, property, and natural resources. The Forest Service uses fire restrictions and area closures to prevent unwanted, human-caused fires and to limit the exposure of visitors during periods of potentially dangerous fire conditions.

For more information about the Kaibab National Forest and any fire restrictions in effect, reference the following sources:

• Website: www.fs.usda.gov/kaibab

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• Arizona Fire Restrictions: firerestrictions.us/az

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