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## Christmas Tree Tags Available For Kaibab Plateau Nov. 12

FREDONIA, Ariz. – Christmas tree-cutting tags for the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest will go on sale Nov. 12, and trees may be cut as soon as a tag has been purchased.

Tags cost \$15 with a limit of one tree per household. They can be purchased at the North Kaibab Ranger District office in Fredonia, at the Kaibab Plateau Visitor Center in Jacob Lake, or by mail.

The North Kaibab Ranger District office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The office will also be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on select weekend days to include the following: Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 8, Dec. 14, and Dec. 15.

The Kaibab Plateau Visitor Center will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following weekend days, weather permitting: Nov. 23, Nov. 24, Nov. 30, and Dec. 1. If traveling to the visitor center, please call ahead at (928) 643-7298 to ensure it is open.

Mail requests for Christmas tree tags should include the customer's name, \$15 and a selfaddressed stamped envelope. Only cash or checks will be accepted. Address mail requests to: Christmas Tree Coordinator, North Kaibab Ranger District, P.O. Box 248 / 430 South Main Street, Fredonia, Arizona 86022. Expect at least 7 days to receive a permit by mail.

Customers will receive a map that shows what areas are authorized for cutting. Tree species available include blue and Englemann spruce, Douglas, subalpine and white fir, pinyon and ponderosa pine, and Utah and Rocky Mountain juniper.

Christmas trees can be harvested any time from Nov. 12 through Dec. 24. Although the exact date has yet to be determined, the Arizona Department of Transportation typically closes the winter gate on Highway 67 at Jacob Lake in early December. Visitors can access cutting areas via forest roads. The Forest Service urges visitors to monitor weather conditions as most roads on the district are not paved.

For more information, please contact the North Kaibab Ranger District at (928) 643-7395.

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