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Springs Fire activity to pick up over next several days

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SPRINGS FIRE OVERVIEW

Yesterday: Fire personnel completed preparations near the junction of Forest Road 110 and Forest 147, on the east side of Summit Mountain, to meet fire objectives, working to keep the fire within the management area and improve forest health.

Today: Burn out operations will occur along County Road 73/Perkinsville Road, or the "South Road" today, in order to hold the fire to the west side of the road and continue to protect private land. Motorists should be cautious while traveling on County Road 73, as smoke in the area has continued to reduce visibility and fire personnel continue to work on and around the road.

Smoke: Heavier smoke impacts will likely occur today and tomorrow, due to drier weather conditions and fire movement, in the Williams and Verde Valley areas, as the fire continues to burn on the west and east sides of Summit Mountain. Smoke may also continue to be visible in Parks, Bellemont, Dogtown, White Horse and Red Lake vicinities, as well as on the Interstate 40 corridor between Williams and Flagstaff. Smoke should begin to diminish towards the end of the week.

Closures: The Summit Mountain Trail (#68) continues to be closed until September 30, 2014 or until Closure Order 07-15-01-F is rescinded. The trail was closed on July 30, 2015 due to the direct impact of the Springs Fire.

Size: 2,732 acres

Start Date: July 2, 2015

Location: 9 miles southeast of Williams, near the intersection of County Road 73/Perkinsville Road, or the "South Road," and Forest Road 354, near Davenport Knoll and Summit Mountain.

Additional Springs Fire information, photos and maps are available through the following resources: InciWeb http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4391/#; Kaibab National Forest Fire Information Phone Line (928) 635-8311; Text Message – text 'follow kaibabnf' to 40404.

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