

## U.S. Forest Service Kaibab National Forest

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# **News Release**

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### Fire Activity Remains Low, Warmer Temperatures Anticipated

**Fredonia, Ariz., Sept. 21, 2018 — For Immediate Release.** Rain received on the Cat Fire Wednesday night was enough to tame the fire in fine fuels such as grass, leaves, and pine needles. However, active fire remained in large diameter heavy fuels and in deep canyon areas. Although fire activity is currently low, fire managers anticipate increased fire activity as warm temperatures persist and fuels dry out.

#### **Cat Fire Overview:**

Date reported: August 6, 2018Cause: LightningSize: 4,491 acresPersonnel: 35

Location: The Cat Fire is about 25 miles southeast of Jacob Lake in the Saddle Mountain Wilderness on

the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest.

**Fuel:** Mixed conifer, ponderosa pine and pinyon-juniper/mountain mahogany.

Weather: Unseasonably warm and dry conditions will persist over the region through the weekend.

Area, road and trail closure: The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, and includes the boundary roads and trails described as beginning at the junction of Forest Road (FR) 610 and the Arizona Trail #101, then north to the junction with the Arizona Trail #101 and North Canyon Trail #4, then proceeding east on the North Canyon Trail #4 to FR 631 continuing to FR 8910 Junction. Then south on the FR8910 to South Canyon #6/ Nankoweap Trail #57, then going west on the South Canyon #6/Nankoweap Trail #57 to FR610 continuing west on FR610 to the Junction of FR 610 and the Arizona Trail #101.

**Smoke:** Smoke will continue to be visible from a wide area around the plateau. Smoke impacts have been minimal thus far but may occasionally effect the communities to the north and the northeast. Motorists are asked to always use caution when driving near or around all fires. For more information on local air quality resources, please visit <a href="https://www.airnow.gov/">https://www.airnow.gov/</a>.

### For additional information the following sources are available:

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