

FIRE ADVISORY

Kaibab National Forest



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3200 Acre Prescribed Fire Planned near Williams

Williams, AZ – Due to favorable conditions, fire managers may implement prescribed fire as soon as Monday September 30, 2013 in the City SE and McCracken East project areas 4 miles southeast of Williams, AZ along County Road 73. At approximately 3200 acres, the burn will be the largest single prescribed burn of the fall on the Williams Ranger District. All prescribed fire activity is dependent on regional Forest Service approval, personnel availability, weather – including winds and ventilation, and approval from the ADEQ www.azdeq.gov.

While smoke production will likely be significant, managers hope to limit impact by conducting all burning operations over a 4 to 5 day time period. “Smoke is a trade-off for having a healthy forest in a fire adapted ecosystem” said Fire Information Officer, Holly Krake. “By reaching out to thousands of people in our local communities, we hope to give as much advance notice as possible and minimize negative smoke impacts”.

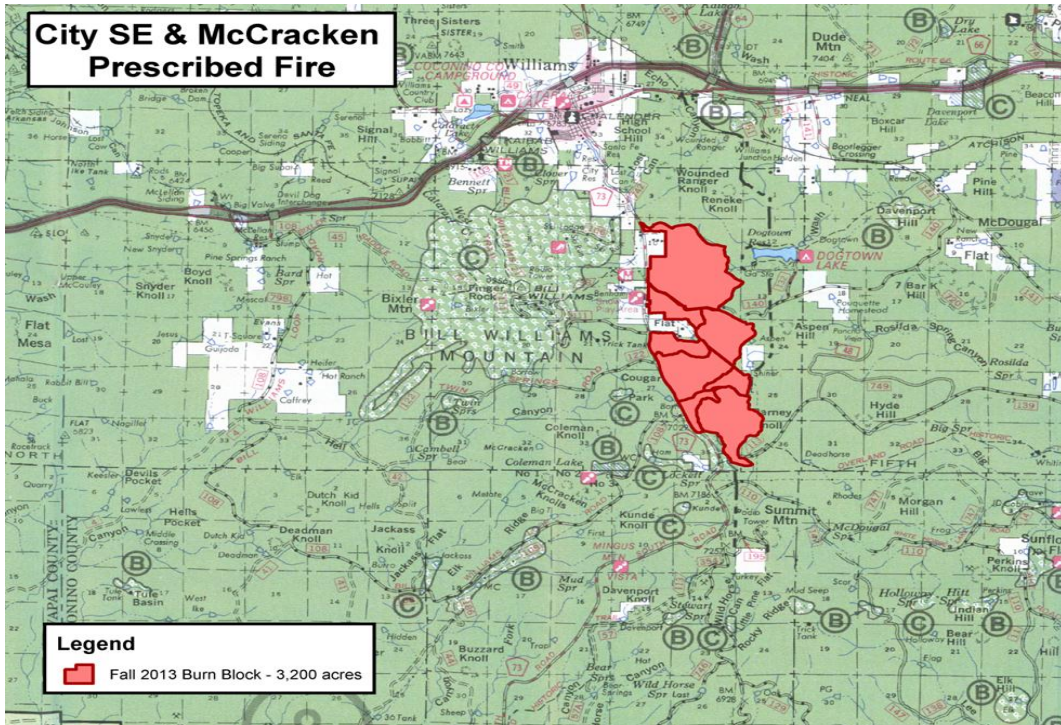
Daytime smoke is predicted to generally disperse to the northeast. Overnight smoke may settle with some impact to Williams, Sycamore Canyon, the Verde Valley, and surrounding areas. A smoke column will be highly visible from Williams and adjacent portions of I-40. Additional resources regarding smoke and air quality are available at wildfire.az.gov .

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Map of the City SE and McCracken East project areas located 4 miles south of Williams, AZ along County Road 73.



Dozer Operator, Lee Payne, continues prep work ahead of the burn in the McCracken East project area south of Williams, AZ along County Road 73.