

EMERGENCY CLOSURE REQUEST

Pursuant to the authority outlined in 36 CFR 1.5(a)(1) which provides that the superintendent may "Designate areas for a specific use or activity, or impose conditions or restrictions on a use or activity." The following are closed:

- the Powell Plateau Trail on the North Rim of Grand Canyon
- the North Bass Trail on the North Rim of Grand Canyon
- Fire Point on the North Rim of Grand Canyon
- Swamp Point on the North Rim of Grand Canyon
- the W4 road north of Kanabownits Lookout on the North Rim of Grand Canyon

The closure will remain in effect from August 3, 2019 at 1800 hours until further notice.

This closure is in response to the Ikes Fire. This closure is requested to ensure the safety of the public and firefighters. Implementing the closure ensures that the public remains out of an area of potential exposure to wildland fire and firefighting activities.

Visitor education materials and news releases will be distributed throughout the course of this period. The Effectiveness of these closures will be assessed on an on-going basis prior to the request to extend, renew or to lift this closure.

Recommend by:  Date: 8/3/19

Matthew D. Vandzura, Chief Ranger

Approved by:  Date: 8.3.19

Woody Smeck, Acting Superintendent