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Tusayan Ranger District fire managers announce locations scheduled for prescribed burning starting this fall

Tusayan, Ariz., Oct. 1, 2015—For Immediate Release. Fire managers for the Tusayan Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest are announcing locations where they plan to complete prescribed fire projects starting this month and continuing through much of next year. Up to about 6,000 acres could be treated across the district during that time as long as weather and fuel conditions allow.

Areas that could be treated are as follows:

Tusayan East Prescribed Fire: East of Tusayan, approximately 260 acres

Russell Prescribed Fire: Two burn units southeast of Tusayan, approximately 1,700 acres

Flying J Prescribed Fire: Two burn units west of Tusayan, approximately 300 acres

Reed Prescribed Fire: Four burn units east of Tusayan, approximately 3,700 acres

During prescribed fires, community members and visitors may see fire personnel and vehicles in the vicinity. Smoke may also be present and may result in short-duration impacts to populated areas.

All prescribed burning on the Kaibab National Forest is subject to approval by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and appropriate weather conditions. For additional information on the Smoke Management Division of the ADEQ and to view prescribed burns authorized on any given day, please visit <http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/air/smoke/index.html>.

Prior to any given prescribed fire, additional information will be released regarding location, timing and anticipated smoke impacts. Kaibab National Forest fire information is also available through the following resources: InciWeb <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4113>; Kaibab National Forest Fire Information Phone Line (928) 635-8311; Text Message – text ‘follow kaibabnf’ to 40404.

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