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Firefighters respond to Wildcat Fire in Saddle Mountain Wilderness

Fredonia, Ariz., June 13, 2016 — For Immediate Release. North Zone firefighters on the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest are currently responding to a new fire start called the Wildcat Fire, which was discovered earlier today.

The following is a brief overview:

Start Date: June 13, 2016

Location: South of Highway 89A and southwest of the Forest Road 8910 and 211 junction within the vicinity of the South Canyon trailhead in Saddle Mountain Wilderness. The Wildcat Fire is primarily wind driven and currently moving north-northeast.

Management strategy: Suppression.

Cause: Undetermined.

Current size: Estimated at 20 acres.

Resources: 1 type-3 engine crew, 1 type-3 helicopter with helitack, 1 Resource Advisor. Additional resources on order.

Fuel Type: Currently burning in a Pinyon/Juniper fuel type.

Smoke: Visitors can expect to see smoke as the wildfire is highly visible from Highway 89A.

Forest visitors may call the Kaibab National Forest fire information phone line at (928) 635-8311 for current conditions and the status of fire restrictions. To find out where fire restrictions are in effect in Arizona, visit www.firerestrictions.us/az.

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