Tonto National Monument News Release

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Tonto National Monument Reopens Following the Bush Fire Closure

Roosevelt, AZ – Effective on June 24, 2020, Tonto National Monument will reopen following a brief closure due to danger from the Bush Fire. Restrictions remain in effect due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Tonto National Monument will now be open 7 days a week and will allow access along the entrance road and provide viewing areas from the Visitor Center parking lot.

As part of the phased reopening, entry fees are waived. Hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Visitors can view the Lower Cliff Dwelling, Roosevelt Lake, and learn about the Monument from numerous waysides from the parking area. The Upper Cliff Dwelling Scenic Overlook off Highway 188 remains open. Staff will be available outside the Visitor Center to provide park brochures, junior ranger books, and other information upon request.

With public health in mind, the following facilities remain closed currently:
- Visitor Center, including restrooms
- Lower Cliff Dwelling and Lower Cliff Dwelling Trail
- Picnic Area, including restrooms.
- Upper Cliff Dwelling Trail remains closed (typically closed May through October)

In addition to COVID-19, wildland fire conditions remain severe. As the conditions improve in both areas of concern, more access to the monument will be allowed. Returning to full operations will continue to be phased. Please follow CDC guidance to prevent the infectious diseases, including recommendations for social distancing and mask use.

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