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Monsoon weather slows fire progression on the Coco Fire

Tusayan, Ariz., July 30, 2016—For Immediate Release. With higher relative humidity and light rains over the Coco Fire smoke production will continue to decrease through the weekend. According to Dan Pearson, Incident Commander, “Despite the forecasted monsoonal moisture, this is not likely a fire ending event. When drier conditions return to Northern Arizona, it is anticipated the Coco Fire will resume activity in the interior drainages where heavy fuels will often continue smoldering during moderate rainfall.”

Today, firefighters will continue to monitor and assess the fire and mitigate any hazardous trees that have been weakened by fire to ensure the safety of adjacent roadways and trails. Arizona Trail remains open to the public.

COCO FIRE OVERVIEW:

Start Date: July 22, 2016

Cause: Lightning

Location: 6 miles southeast of Tusayan, near the junction of forest roads 302 and 2719

Current Size: 1,600 acres

Incident Commander: Dan Pearson, Type 3 IC

Resources: Three Type 6 engines; One Type 3 engine; One 10-person hand crew

For more information:

- Inciweb: [Coco Fire - inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4881/](http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4881/)
- Kaibab National Forest Fire Information Phone Line (928) 635-8311
- Text Message – text ‘follow kaibabnf’ to 40404
- Coco Fire Photo Album on Flickr: bit.ly/CocoFirePhotos
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