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# News Release

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## **Coco Fire burns naturally within fire perimeter**

**Tusayan, Ariz., July 31, 2016—For Immediate Release.** The Coco Fire is expected to burn naturally over the next several days, consuming hazardous fuels, smoldering and producing light visible smoke within the immediate fire area. The fire is now estimated at 2000 acres.

Today, the fire organization is transitioning from a Type 3 to a Type 4, reducing in size yet efficient for fire-fighting conditions. Crews will continue to hold and monitor the fire and mitigate any hazardous trees weakened by the fire. No additional news releases will be issued unless there is significant change in fire activity.

### **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:** 2000 acres

**Incident Commander:** Leigh Stewart, Type 4 IC; Jason Heffner, Type 4 IC-T

**Resources:** One Type 3 engine; Two Type 6 engines; One 10-person hand crew; One Medic

**Arizona Trail:** Open to the public

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](http://bit.ly/CocoFirePhotos)
- Kaibab National Forest Twitter: [www.twitter.com/kaibabnf](http://www.twitter.com/kaibabnf)
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