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**Seasonal Fire Prevention**

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**North Zone Fire Management**

**North Kaibab Ranger District/North Rim Grand Canyon**



The zone is comprised of the North Kaibab Ranger District and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon in northern Arizona; covering approximately 1.4 million acres and ranges from 3,000'-9,000' in elevation. The Kaibab Plateau is the geographic heart of our program. It has been the center of many ecological studies and key historic natural resource management debates since it was originally set aside as the Grand Cañon Forest Reserve in 1893. We are centrally located to several other national parks, world-class climbing, mountain biking, and hiking areas.

Our fire program averages 70 fires a summer, the majority caused by lightning. The zone also has a progressive prescribed fire and unplanned ignition management program. Our fire prevention technicians (FPTs) are mobile initial attack resources and assist with fires as available and qualified. FPTs may also receive training as Forest Protection Officers (FPO). In addition to fire and FPO duties, FPTs are responsible for visitor contacts, educational programs, checking for unattended campfires, and changing fire danger and prevention signs. Since this zone experiences more lightning ignitions than human ignitions and has few wildland-urban interface areas, we have a unique opportunity to focus our messages on fire ecology and fire restoration. FPTs also have opportunities to work with other disciplines or within other parts of the fire program when fire season has slowed down. Our fire season is bimodal, starting in May with prescribed burns and ending in October, and is usually split midsummer by the monsoon season.

Passing the arduous duty pack test and possessing a valid state driver's license are required. Selected candidates would be paid by the Forest Service but work with the National Park Service as part of our interagency crew. Government housing is available.

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