



BRINS FIRE UPDATE

8:00 AM

Great Basin Incident Management Team 1

FINAL UPDATE

June 29, 2006

Current Status

Highway 89A from Sedona to Flagstaff is open to the public. However, the Coconino National Forest and Slide Rock State Park remain closed until further notice.

The Brins Fire was declared 100% contained Tuesday evening, 6:00 p.m. “Containment” means that there are sufficient lines around the fire that escape potential is very low. This does not mean that the fire is completely extinguished. Mop-up and fireline rehabilitation continues along the entire fire perimeter. Much of the fire was in the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness; therefore mop-up and rehabilitation efforts will focus on maintaining wilderness values and protecting natural and cultural resources.

The management of the fire will be transferred to the Forest this evening at 5 p.m with Jerry Payne as the Type 3 Incident Commander. The Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) Team continues an assessment of resource damage in the fire area. They are developing a plan to minimize the fire’s long term impact to natural resources. The Coconino National Forest will implement the BAER team’s plan once it is complete.

This is the last information update that will be released by the Great Basin National Incident Management Team. Future fire information will be available from the Coconino National Forest Information Center at (928) 226-4601.

Acreage

4,317 acres. Containment is 100%.

Resources on the Fire/Costs

Crews: 4 Helicopters: 1 Engines: 2 Personnel: less than 300
Demobilization is in progress. Estimated Final Cost: \$ 6,400,000.

Cooperators

City of Sedona, Office of State Forestry, Yavapai County Sheriff’s Office, Coconino County Sheriff’s Office, Department of Public Safety, Arizona Department of Transportation, Sedona Fire District, Sedona Police Department, Sedona Airport Authority, Grand Canyon Chapter of the American Red Cross, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Forest Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, and National Park Service.

Closures and Restrictions

The Coconino National Forest was closed to public access and use Friday morning, June 23, at 8 a.m. due to high fire danger. Closures in the past have proven to be an effective means of reducing the number of human-caused fires. Penalties for violation of this closure range from \$100 to \$5,000.

Included in the Coconino NF closures:

- All campgrounds, day use picnic areas and cabins on the forest.
- All trails on the Coconino National Forest.
- All lakes, including Lake Mary, Ashurst Lake, Kinnikinick Lake, Blue Ridge Reservoir, Stoneman Lake.
- Cinder Hills Off-Highway Vehicle Area north of Flagstaff.
- St. Joseph’s Youth Camp near Mormon Lake.
- Arizona Snowbowl Skyride.
- All National Forest System Roads will be closed, but all interstates, state and county roads through the Coconino National Forest will remain open.

Fire and Other Information

For fire and forest closure information please call (928) 226-4601 or visit:
www.coconinoforest.us.

For Arizona State Park information, please call (928) 282-3034, (602) 542-4174 or visit:
www.AZstateparks.gov.