

Legal Notice of Decision

Jacob-Ryan Vegetation Management Project

Timothy J. Short, the North Kaibab District Ranger, Kaibab National Forest, signed a Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact on February 5, 2009 for the Jacob-Ryan Vegetation Management Project. The selected alternative authorizes vegetative management across the north central portion of the Kaibab Plateau, Coconino County, Arizona. The project involves approximately 26,000 acres in both even-aged and uneven-aged ponderosa pine stands in portions of Townships 38, 39 and 40 North, and Ranges 1, 2, 3 East and 1 West. The Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and the Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact are available at the North Kaibab Ranger District Office, PO Box 248, 430 S. Main Street, Fredonia, AZ 86022, or by contacting G.T. Allison, at gtallison@fs.fed.us or (928)643-8143. This document is also available on the Kaibab National Forest website at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/kai/projects/>

This decision is subject to appeal pursuant to regulations at 36 CFR 215. Individuals or organizations who provided comment or otherwise expressed interest in the proposed action during the comment period may appeal. Interest expressed or comments provided on this project prior to or after the close of the comment period do not have standing for appeal purposes. The appeal must be filed (regular mail, fax, email, hand delivery, express delivery or messenger service) with the appropriate Appeal Deciding Officer. Submit appeals to: Appeal Deciding Officer, Mike R. Williams, Forest Supervisor, Kaibab National Forest, 800 South Sixth Street, Williams, AZ 86046, and/or fax (928)635-8208. If hand delivered, the appeal must be received at the above address during business hours (Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm), excluding holidays. Electronic appeals may be submitted to: appeals-southwestern-kaibab@fs.fed.us (.doc, .rtf, or .txt formats only). The appeal must have an identifiable name attached or verification of identity will be required. A scanned signature may serve as verification on electronic appeals.

Appeals, including attachments, must be in writing, fully consistent with 36 CFR 215.14, and filed (postmarked) within 45 days following the date this notice is published in the *Arizona Daily Sun*, Flagstaff, AZ. This publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an appeal. Those wishing to appeal this decision should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source.

If no appeals are filed within the 45 day time period, implementation of the decision may occur on, but not before 5 business days from the close of the appeal filing period. When appeals are filed, implementation may occur on, but not before the 15th business day following the date of the last appeal disposition.

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