

RED FLAG WARNING TODAY



WILDFIRE SAFETY


- Properly discard cigarettes.
- Keep vehicles off of dry grass.
- Avoid activities with open flames or sparks.
- Avoid power equipment that creates sparks.
- Obey burn bans.
- Evacuate if fire/smoke is heading your way.
- Evacuate if ordered to do so by local officials.

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Today October 24th

Where?
Southwest of the Eastern Mogollon Rim and along the high terrain features of Yavapai County.

When?
Today 11 AM – 6 PM MST

Humidity: As low as 9%
Winds: NE gusting up to 40 MPH

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FOREST LAKES FIRE DISTRICT NEWS...HAPPENING THIS WEEK!!

Chief Rodriguez is in Indiana this week accepting delivery of our new ambulance! Thanks to the Gila River Indian Community for the grant funding that made this purchase possible, our very own resident Richard Zimmerman, who wrote and applied for the grant, and to Medix Specialty Vehicles for building such an awesome apparatus for us!

We will be seeing the new ambulance in service in just a few short weeks.



PROGRESS REPORT ON VERIZON TOWER

The Forest Lakes Fire Station Cell Tower Pre-construction Kick-off Meeting was held at 10 am on Thursday, October 17th, at the fire station. Chief Dave Rodriquez, Fire Board Chairman Tom Cummiskey , Director of Operations for High Desert Communications Rusty Lewellen, and Ken Jacobs of Northland Research Inc., who is the project manager, were in attendance.

Groundbreaking will be November 4th as all building permits have been approved and issued. Mr. Lewellen stated if all goes as planned, it will take approximately 8 weeks to complete. High Desert Communications is the tower construction company. The tower will look like a pine tree and be 150 feet in height. There will be a support building as part of the project that will be of masonry construction. It will have a metal roof with color match of the current fire department facilities.

The first cell phone provider to occupy space on the tower will be Verizon. Verizon anticipates a spring time installation for their equipment. Once installed,

Verizon will test and go live soon after.

Report by Fire Chief Dave Rodriguez

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