

Forest Lakes NEWS

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UPDATED FIRE INFORMATION FROM DEPUTY ROBERT MCKEEVER

Clearing up the rumors regarding all the fires and closures on the mountain (June 21)...

1. Yes
a
portion
of
Heber
was
evacuated
today.
Highway
260
is
closed
in
both
directions
starting
in
Star
Valley
the
only
vehicles
allowed
at

this
time
are
people
affected
by
the
evacuation.

Hwy
277
and
377
are
closed
also.
I've
been
asked
probably
a
thousand
times
today
“

When
Will
it
open?”
That
is
unknown
it
could
be
tonight
it
could
be
next
week
it's
all
dependent
on
the
fire!!!
So
be
patient

2. Forest
closure!!
Yes
today
the
US
Forest
Service
started

evacuation
of
the
forest
because
of
the
lack
of
resources
if
a
another
fire
is
started.
This
includes
all
the
surrounding
lakes.
The
official
forest
closure
order
starts
Wednesday
at
0800
hours
which
means
if
you
are
found
on
the
forest
you
will
be
arrested.
There
will
be
no
ifs,
ands,
or
buts
about
it.
That
includes
residents

who
think
it's
ok
to
venture
off
their
private
property
onto
National
Forest
for
a
evening
walk
trail
ride.
I'm
asking
that
residents
and
visitors
please
respect
this
as
all
our
resources
are
stretched
way
too
thin
to
have
to
deal
with
any
extra
problems.

3. Forest
Lakes
is
still
in
**No
Danger**
from
either
fires
burning
to
the

east
or
the
west
of
us.
The
Wyrick
fire,
about
a
hour
ago,
was
estimated
at
approximately
8000+
acres
and
the
West
Chev
fire
was
estimated
at
approximately
200
acres.

COCONINO COUNTY EVENING READY-SET-GO UPDATE

Several communities are currently in SET status because of the Rafael and Snake Fires. Coconino County uses a READY, SET, GO system during fire season.

Residents should be in a READY status at all times, prepared and monitoring the situation. SET status means to be prepared to evacuate at a moment's notice. SET status means there is danger in the area. GO means evacuate now.

Due to the Rafael Fire, all areas south of I-40, west of I-17, including Westwood Estates, Camp Navajo, Equestrian Estates, Flagstaff Ranch, Upper Oak Creek Canyon west of 89, University Heights, Mountain Dell, Kachina Village, Forest Highlands, Pine Del, Woody Mountain Road south of I-40, Garland Prairie and Pine Aire Estates and residents in between are in SET status.

As a result of the Snake Fire, residents of Happy Jack Lodge, Clear Creek Pines 1 and 2, Mahan Park, Poor Farm, and Fisher Properties are in SET status.

Residents in these areas are asked to begin preparing for a possible GO order to evacuate at a moment's notice and are advised to locate their emergency go kit and be ready to evacuate. This is NOT an evacuation notification.

Click here for an accompanying map <https://bit.ly/35FHzsP>. For the purposes of this map, Upper Oak Creek Canyon is in READY, however, the entire county should always be in a stage of READY.

RED = READY, YELLOW=SET, GREEN=GO/EVACUATE

Users can zoom in and out to see fires in the area, as well as READY, SET, GO status. Please click on the “i” in the top right corner for the fire information and the map legend. Users can select a specific fire map by clicking on the left-hand navigation on their desktop computer or scrolling at the bottom of the screen on their mobile phone.

Coconino County Emergency Management (CCEM) has activated an Emergency Operations Center in response to the fires. A Call Center has also been set up to answer questions. Residents may call 928.679.8647 or email rafaelfire@coconino.az.gov.

Click [HERE](#) for updated fire information.

The Coconino County Emergency Notification System uses Alerts powered by Rave Mobile Safety's Smart911 to send official, real-time alerts to the public with information about potentially life-saving actions you may need to take to keep you and your family safe. Sign up [HERE](#) to receive the notifications.

JULY COMMUNITY MARKET ON SAT., JULY 3RD 10 AM - 2 PM

Mark your calendars and save the date! It will be at the Community Center, 1111 Merzville Rd. You won't want to miss all the fun things that will be available. Several new Forest Lakes t-shirts, hats and lots more.

The 2 young kids who sold Ice Cream at the Rummage Sale will be back again and you don't want to miss that. See you there!!!!

Several more events are in the planning for the 4th of July week-end. More details soon, but one of the events will be a Cupcake Walk as one of the games for Kids at the Fabulous Forest Lakes Fourth of July Celebration. We would love for several people to bake cupcakes for this activity. Any Volunteers??? Call Shari at 480-201-4693

We are looking for the family who made the cake pops. We saved their racks and labels and would like to return them. We would also love to thank them. Call Shari 480-201-4693 if you know how to contact them.

**CHARITY
RIDE/PARADE
SCHEDULED**

FOR SAT., JULY 3rd!

Registration begins at 7 a.m. in the parking lot of the Rim Tavern.

Parade starts promptly at 8:30 a.m.

If you have questions you may call Chris Bennet @ (602) 390-3960.



FLYERS COMING SOON!



WATER DRIVE THANK YOU!!!

Chief Dave Rodriguez and the entire Forest Lakes Fire District staff would like to thank YOU for the generous donated cases of bottled water to the fire station over the past few weeks. It is so very much appreciated and has replenished the inventory! It takes a village to be able to

supply water to those who have emergencies, as well as keeping the First Responders well hydrated.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!!

The picture is of one particular delivery from the Safeway store in Payson - an entire pallet! One of our residents, Kim Bauer, is a regional manager for Safeway and arranged for the donation! Thank you for your generosity, Safeway Payson!

Ever wish you had kept past copies of a news email? You can find them on the FLOA website at www.floa.club and click on "Latest Email Blasts" on the left side bar Menu.

Did you know?

There are several websites with Forest Lakes information to check out! They are:

FLOA Website: www.floa.club

Fire District: www.flfdaz.com

Fire District Auxiliary

Water District: www.fldwid.org

General Forest Lakes information: www.forestlakesaz.com

Weather Station/Snow Stick

Facebook Group Pages

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