

## Arizona Central West Zone Type Three Incident Management Team Incident Commander – Ryan Barela

## Grapevine Fire August 1, 2023 – Daily Update

## Fire Resources Being Released to Deploy to Other Wildfires

Location: Mingus Mountain, Verde Ranger District (T14N, R2E, SEC 4), Approximately 10 miles east of Prescott

Valley; 2 miles south of Mingus Spring Ranch

**Start Date:** July 21, 2023 **Size:** Approximately 1049 acres

Percent Contained: 7% Cause: Lightning

Vegetation: Brush, Timber and Short Grass

**Resources:** 1 Type 1 Crews, 5 Type 2 Crews, 12 Engines, 1 Helicopters and additional support personnel

**Number of Personnel Assigned: 304** 

**Update:** Great news, the fire area received up to a ¼ inch of rain and some parts of Mingus Mountain received 2 inches. Fire crews completed protection of Mingus Mountain Academy. Additional control lines are being constructed just north of the Whitehorse community along FR9002W using a combination of hand tools, heavy equipment. Heavy equipment and crews are still working on a protective line along FR132 and improving existing lines along the east side of the fire. An inferred flight has shown some heat sources in the interior and along the northern boundary; and very little heat near Tex Canyon. The monsoons are continuing to be a safety concern for fire personnel as the push forward building lines.

**Fire Resources:** Over the next few Days, the Incident Management Team will continue to release resources. This process is known as right-sizing the organization. Crews will be released from the fire as objectives are accomplished and made available to assist with other wildfires in the southwest.

Closures: Prescott National Forest Roads along the route beginning at the junction of FR104 and FR143 and extending ½ mile on either side of FR413 to junction of FR132 then along FR132 to the junction of County Rd 75, Cherry Creek Road.

**Fire Restrictions**: The entire Prescott National Forest is under Stage 1 Fire Restrictions which prohibits building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal and briquettes, outside a structure that is provided by the Forest Service within designated areas for portions of the forest. Under these restrictions, discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun, except for persons engaged in legal hunting activities, is prohibited on the Prescott National Forest. Fireworks and the use of exploding targets are always prohibited year-round on national forests.

For current evacuation information contact the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office at 928-771-3260 or follow them at https://www.facebook.com/YavapaiCountySheriff.

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