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Scenic overlooks on North Rim of Grand Canyon close for the season

North Rim will remain open for day use until Highway 67 closes

South Rim remains open year-round

Grand Canyon, Ariz. – The North Rim of Grand Canyon National Park received approximately 12 inches of snow during a storm last weekend. Although much of the snow has begun to melt with warmer daytime temperatures, freezing nighttime temperatures have created hazardous icy conditions on the North Rim's scenic roadways including Point Imperial and Cape Royal Roads. Therefore, these scenic roadways and associated overlooks are closed, effective immediately, for the season.

The North Rim will remain open for day use visitation until significant snowfall causes Highway 67 closes for the season.

Facilities on the North Rim closed on October 15. Currently, only emergency services are provided by the National Park Service and visitors are reminded to pay special attention to their gas gauge, since gas is no longer available in the Park. Jacob Lake Inn, restaurant and gas station, located 45 miles north of the North Rim developed area, remain open year-round.

Hikers and cross-country skiers will be permitted to use North Rim group campsites throughout the winter months if they have obtained a permit through the Park's South Rim Backcountry Information Center or Visitor Center at Pipe Springs National Monument. The South Rim Backcountry Information Center is open year-round and can be reached by calling 928-638-7875, Monday through Friday, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. MST. Permit requests can be faxed year-round to 928-638-2125.

Those people with plans to visit the North Rim during this time of the year are encouraged to call the National Park Service at 928-638-7888 in advance of their trip to check on the status of Highway 67.

The South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park is open year-round. Additional Park information can be obtained by calling the number listed above or by visiting the Park's Web site at www.nps.gov/grca/

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