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Grand Canyon National Park Working a Fire- Closes Highway 64

Grand Canyon, AZ- Grand Canyon National Park Fire Managers are currently working on a wildland fire ignited by a motor home that had caught on fire on Desert View Drive (State Highway 64) at approximately mile post 249. The fire was reported at about 4:30 p.m. and has grown to approximately 2 acres as of 5:30 p.m., and is spotting out in front of the main fire, which is burning towards the rim. Currently three wildland engines, one structure engine, two helicopters, a fire use module, and water tender are committed to the incident. The Sacramento Interagency Hotshot Crew, that has been staged on the Kaibab National Forest, has been ordered and is in route.

Desert View Drive (State Highway 64) has been temporarily closed between Desert View on the east and Duck on a Rock Overlook on the west. The length of time this temporary closure will be in effect is not known but fire managers anticipate control of this fire sometime tonight. The name of this fire is the Highway Fire.

All other areas of the park remain open including, the South Rim Village, Hermit Drive (West Rim), Desert View, the North Rim, and inner canyon.

Further information will be released as it becomes available.

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