

Media Release

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Sedona area Plane Crash results in 4 apparent Fatalities – Resulting Fire still Burning

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION –

Just before 4 PM this afternoon, hikers in the Bear Mountain area of Sedona reported a possible plane crash and fire. Crews from the Sedona Fire District and United States Forest Service (USFS) arrived to assess and begin working the fire. Initial attempts to locate a downed plane were unsuccessful, even by flyover. Witnesses believe the fire resulted from the plane crash although they did not have a line of sight view.

Just after 6PM, fire crews on the ground located a downed single engine plane with 4 fatalities in Fay Canyon, N/E of Bear Mountain. Access to the crash site is currently difficult due to the terrain and fire.

The NTSB / FAA have been notified regarding the plane crash.

Forest Service crews continue working the fire. There have been no evacuations at this time.

Updates provided when available.

Citizens can contact the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office with information or questions at 928-771-3260 or the YCSO website: www.ycsoaz.gov