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FRIDAY MORNING UPDATE ON SAN JUAN FIRE ON THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Sells, AZ --- Significant progress has been made to contain the San Juan Fire burning on the mountain range west of Kitt Peak on the Tohono O'odham Nation. It is now approximately 3,200 acres with 35% containment. No structures have been damaged; the fire is two miles away from the nearest structure.

Resources to combat the fire remain the same, with approximately 100 personnel assigned to the fire including five engines, a helicopter, and three hand crews. Authority to manage the fire continues to be delegated to a Type III Incident Management Organization.

State Route 86 from Tucson to Ajo remains open. However, State Route 386 to Kitt Peak is still closed to non-essential personnel. Authorities have asked that media and others refrain from traveling to the fire due to the remoteness of the location.

For more information on the status of the San Juan fire, please contact Pete Delgado at (520) 383-2028.

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