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Dear Interested Party:

The Williams Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest received a request from the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District to amend their Special Use Permit by increasing the size of the area under the permit from 1.4 acres to 2.81 acres. The Fire District would also like to install two new shipping containers for storage of additional firefighting supplies. This increase in acres would allow for Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District to not only have more storage capabilities, but they would be able to perform training activities more effectively on their permitted area. The storage facilities could be removed upon request and would not be permanent structures. My preliminary appraisal is that the proposed action fits within the Categorical Exclusion (CE), 36 CFR 220.6(e)(3), as indicated below:

"Approval, modification, or continuation of minor special uses of NFS lands that require less than five contiguous acres of land" (36 CFR 220.6(e)).

The purpose of this notice is to invite meaningful public involvement in the project planning process. Written comments may be delivered electronically, by hand, or by mail no later than February 8, 2018. Electronic comments can be submitted to comments-southwestern-kaibab-williams@fs.fed.us in Word (.docx or .doc), text (.txt), portable document format (.pdf), rich text format (.rtf), or hypertext markup language (.html) formats only. Mailed or hand-delivered comments can be submitted to the Williams Ranger District, 742 South Clover Road, Williams, Arizona 86046. Business hours for this office are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, excluding holidays. Please mark comments "Attention: Sherwood Fire District SUP Amendment" Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will become part of the public record for this project.

If you need any information about this project, please contact Victoria Tyler, NEPA Planner, at the Williams Ranger District at 928-635-5632.

Thank you for your interest in the management of National Forest System Lands.

Sincerely,

HEATHER PROVENCIO

Forest Supervisor

Enclosure:.

