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Herbs Fire Fact Sheet

Summary: The lightning caused Herbs Fire is burning on Herbs Point, an isolated mesa top located in a remote area of the Kolob Canyons section of Zion National Park. At this point, the fire is not posing any immediate threats to public or private structures or property, but there are some scattered structures on adjoining private lands to the north. There are no closures or evacuations associated with the fire. Firefighters began suppression efforts yesterday afternoon using aerial resources. They will continue efforts today with both aerial and ground resources. Smoke from the fire was visible from the Interstate 15 corridor yesterday and may be as well over the next few days.

Start Date: First reported on Saturday afternoon, September 3, 2011 (This probably a holdover from a lightning strike that occurred a few days ago).

Location: On Herbs Point, in the Kolob Canyons section of Zion National Park. Kolob Canyons is in the northern section of Zion National Park, just east of Interstate 15, approximately 15 miles south of Cedar City, UT.

Jurisdiction: National Park Service (Zion National Park)

Cause: Lightning

Fire Size: 150-200 acres

Percent Contained: 25%

Fuels: Oak brush, pinyon-juniper and mixed conifer

Fire Crews/resources: 4 helicopters, 2 wildland engines and a 20-person handcrew of firefighters. Additional resources may be called in if needed.

Closures: None

Evacuations: None

Structures Threatened: Nothing immediate, although there are scattered structures located to the north of the fire on adjoining private lands.

For More Information: *For more information on fire activity in southwestern Utah, the public can call the Color County Fire Information Hotline at 1-866-447-1283. For more information on fires in Utah visit www.utahfireinfo.gov. For more information on fires across the country, visit www.inciweb.org.*