

Arizona's Rural Fire Assistance Grants Pay Off!

During the Black Mountain Complex Fire located outside of Kingman Arizona, several Rural Fire Departments were called upon to complete a burnout operation. This operation was intended to inhibit the growth of the Secret Fire. Firefighters and their equipment from Chino Valley, Summit, Highlands and Bullhead City Fire Departments were directed to ignite a 2.5 mile portion of unchecked fire line between the east flank of the fire and the homes in the Golden Valley subdivision. The burnout operation burned an approximate total of 800 acres after its completion. Its success however came in its ability to prevent any further advance of the fire toward the Golden Valley homes. Over the last several years, the BLM has aided several Rural Fire Departments by supporting them with wildland fire training and the outfitting of Rural Fire Communities with wildland firefighting equipment. The firefighters who worked to successfully complete this burnout operation were some of the Departments who have benefited from the Rural Fire Assistance funding provided by the BLM.

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Chino Valley Fire Department engine assists in the burnout operation.