



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **MARKIT! FORESTRY MANAGEMENT OPENS AN OFFICE IN ARIZONA**

Markit! Forestry Management ("Markit! Forestry"), headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colorado, has opened an office in Flagstaff, Arizona, to better serve its expanding business in the state. The address and phone number of Markit! Forestry's Arizona office is:

**504 East Butler Avenue  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
Tel: (928) 774-3883**

Markit! Forestry's Flagstaff office is centrally located in the heart of the forested areas of Arizona. Markit! Forestry's office is located within a two-hour drive of five of the six National Forests in Arizona: the Apache-Sitgreaves, Coconino, Kaibab, Prescott and Tonto National Forests. The office is also in close proximity to the internationally recognized School of Forestry at Northern Arizona University, and is conveniently located near interstate highway 40 and interstate highway 17.



***Markit! Forestry's Office in Flagstaff, Arizona.***

Markit! Forestry has completed forestry projects in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. Opening an office in Arizona is an extension of Markit! Forestry's expanding work across the southwest United States.

Forestry in Arizona encompasses a broad range of geography, elevations, climate and tree species. Arizona contains six climate zones and is home to the world's largest contiguous ponderosa pine forest. The U.S. Forest Service manages over 11 million acres of forests in Arizona, and the U.S. Park Service manages almost 3 million more acres. In addition to Federal lands, there are millions of acres of forest lands managed by the State of Arizona, as well as extensive private forest lands.

Markit! Forestry recently executed a high-profile steep slope helicopter thinning project for forest fuels reduction in the Coconino National Forest for the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project ("FWPP"). The FWPP project involved a variety of forestry resources, ranging from hand crews felling trees to helicopters flying trees to log decks. The FWPP work involved operations on Mount Elden and in the Dry Lake Hills project area on the outskirts of Flagstaff.

Mr. Bryan Zebrowski, the Regional Operations Manager for Markit! Forestry in the Arizona office, stated, "There are a large number of forestry needs in Arizona, and Markit! Forestry's decision to open an office in Flagstaff is well-timed to meet those needs. In the last decade Arizona has suffered from a large number of devastating forest fires. The environmental forestry and timber harvesting work that Markit! Forestry does is a critical component in reducing the severity of destructive forest fires, protecting watersheds, and helping to assure that Arizona's forests are healthy and a resource for everyone to enjoy well into the future. As a graduate of Northern Arizona University's School of Forestry, I am pleased to be a part of Markit! Forestry and to help welcome Markit! Forestry to Arizona. Everyone at Markit! Forestry looks forward to tackling the complicated forestry issues in Arizona."

Mr. Patrick Gayner, Markit!'s Vice President of Business Development, remarked, "Markit! Forestry is very pleased to open an office in Arizona. Our work with the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project is a good example of the diversified forestry work and expertise that Markit! Forestry will bring to Arizona. The helicopter thinning project within the FWPP was originally scheduled to take up to 36 months, but Markit! was able to complete the thinning portion of the project in eight months. By applying a variety of workflows and human and capital resources, Markit! was able to accomplish the fire mitigation and forest health purposes of the project while minimizing the disruption to wildlife, hikers and outdoor enthusiasts that use the recreation facilities around the project. Markit! Forestry looks forward to a long and successful partnership with the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management, the U.S. Forest Service in Arizona, various Municipalities and Non-Governmental Organizations, and private landowners across Arizona."

Markit! Forestry Management is a full-service environmental forestry management company, specializing in steep slope forestry projects, helicopter logging and challenging environmental forestry projects. Markit! Forestry Management provides Forest Fuels Reduction, Forest Health Restoration, Post-Fire Rehabilitation, Defensible Space, Timber Harvesting and Trail Building services on Municipal, State, Federal and private land. For more information on Markit! Forestry Management please visit [www.markitforestry.com](http://www.markitforestry.com), or call Patrick Gayner at 719-593-2365.