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**Forest Plans Fall Prescribed Fires in Lemhi County**

Salmon- Challis National Forest fire managers and fuels specialists in North Fork and Salmon have several prescribed burns planned for this fall. Key areas include Hughes Creek and the Gibbonsville area on the North Fork Ranger District. The main goal of these burns is to aid in the creation of a fuels break around the community and private residences.

Other areas where prescribed burns will occur are the Williams Creek-Moccasin Creek area on the Salmon/Cobalt Ranger District and Grizzly Hill and Big Eightmile on the Leadore Ranger District. The purpose of these burns is to clean-up residual slash created by personal use firewood cutting. District Ranger Kimberly Nelson states, "Firewood cutters who pile their slash as required greatly assist with the hazard fuels cleanup, especially in these problem areas."

Members of the public and recreationists are cautioned that smoke may be visible for some time in the vicinity of the burns and are asked to use caution when driving through areas where burn crews are working or where smoke is drifting across roadways.

For more information, please contact the North Fork Ranger District Office at 865-2700 or the Salmon/Cobalt Ranger District Office at 756-5200.