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Allegheny National Forest Planning Prescribed Burn

Marienville, Pa. (October 19, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest is planning a prescribed burn this week – possibly as soon as October 21 – if conditions are suitable. The Spring Creek burn is located east of the Marienville Ranger District office. Eighteen acres within four units are planned to be burned. The units are located on FR 130A (2-units), 130B, and 774 east of Lamonaville. Additional units may be burned near Sheffield along FR 394 and the National Wild Turkey Federation food plot, weather permitting.

The goal of these burns is to improve wildlife habitat by burning warm season grasses in several openings. Each burn unit is expected to take less than 1 hour to complete. Little to no smoke is expected to be visible. There may be some temporary road closures associated with the burns, but the roads would reopen by the end of the day.

Fire Management Officer Peter To said that no specific burn dates have been set because burning will only occur when the appropriate weather is forecasted and the required personnel and equipment are available. He also said that fire management crews will patrol for as long as necessary after ignition to ensure public safety.

For more information, please contact Peter To, Fire Management Officer at 814.706.4464

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