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Media Advisory

Prescribed Burn South of Philbrook Lake

The Almanor Ranger District is planning to implement a prescribed burn at Brown Ravine. The project area is located approximately two miles south of Philbrook Lake. Thirty to sixty acres are slated for burning during the month of June. Smoke will be visible in the Sacramento valley, especially to Chico and Paradise area residents. The burn is taking place within Brown Ravine Oak Enhancement Defensible Fuel Profile Zone (DFPZ). Objectives for this project include enhancement of wildlife habitat and reduction of surface fuel accumulations within the project area. For more information, please contact the Almanor Ranger District, in Chester, at 530-258-2141.

Prescribed burn projects will take place on permissive burn days. Additionally, the Forest coordinates with industry landowners, local Air Pollution Control Districts, and other agency managers in the areas surrounding the prescribed burn locations on burn days.

The Lassen NF uses prescribed burns to reduce the accumulation of fuels and threat of wildfires. These fuels include dead and fallen trees, dead branches and brush. Other benefits of prescribed burns allow remaining trees and plants to become healthier and stronger. Also, fuels recycled by fire, will release valuable nutrients back into the soil; creating a flush of new plant growth; and renewing food supplies for wildlife.

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