



Burntside Area Fuels Reduction

Prescribed Burn: North Arm Units 3 & 4

Report Date: May 22, 2014

Anticipated Burn Dates: Friday, May 23 OR Saturday, May 24, 2014

INTRODUCTION:

As part of the ongoing Burntside Area Fuels Reduction project, two small units totaling 31 acres are targeted for a prescribed burn. Fire managers anticipate ideal weather on either Friday, May 23 or Saturday, May 24, 2014. The units are located northwest of Ely, MN on the Superior National Forest along and near the North Arm Road (SLC 644), north of Burntside Lake. See **Vicinity Map**.

Description:

- **Unit 3** encompasses 12 acres and is located in Township 64N, Range 13W, SE quarter of Sections 34 and NW quarter of Section 35. (N 91 58'35" W 47 59' 08"). See **North Arm 3 Project Map**.
- **Unit 4** encompasses 19 acres and is located at Township 64N, Range 13W, in portions of the SE and SW quarters of Section 26. (N 91 57'35"; W 47 57'35"). See **North Arm 4 Project Map**.

Ignition will be by hand. Mop up and monitoring will continue for several days after the burn. These two units will see a succession of burn treatments. This first burn under relatively moist conditions is designed to burn the finer, flashier fuels—mostly debris about as thick as a pencil and smaller. At a later time, another burn will be done to consume larger fuels to open the units for vegetation regeneration.

Cautions:

Some of the burn will be immediately adjacent to the North Arm Road, County Road 644. Fire crews will be traveling the road and smoke may be heavy at times. There will be law enforcement present if traffic control is needed. An air quality monitor has been established. Models predict smoke carrying northeast toward the Horse/Fourtown Lake area. Later in the day some smoke may be blown south toward Shagawa Lake. Air quality monitor information: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/air/air-quality-and-pollutants/general-air-quality/air-quality-index/current-air-quality-index.html>

Two Information Stations will be established on either end of the burns and will be marked by Fire Information signs. People are welcome to stop by and pick up maps and other information. This factsheet and the maps will also be uploaded to **the Superior National Forest website for additional alerts and information about current conditions.** www.fs.usda.gov/superior Scroll down to Fire Info/Prescribed Fire/Current Plans/Burntside.

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