

Box Creek Prescribed Fire / Aspen Regeneration Project Richfield Ranger District, Fishlake National Forest



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Planned Date: September – October 2014

Location: Monroe Mountain – (Monroe Meadows area) Adjacent to private land in-holdings.

Legal Description: Township 26 South, Range 2 West, Sections 21-22, 28-30, 41 and 44

Lat/Long: N 38 x 30' x 53" W 112 x 01' x 12"

Project Description: The Project is located on Monroe Mountain near Brindley Flat, and Sawmill Flat; this is adjacent to the mountain community of Monroe Meadows. The project includes only USFS administered lands. This project consists of 308 acres of clear cutting with an objective of aspen regeneration. The prescribed fire in these units is needed to consume the activity fuels generated from the mechanical treatment. The aspen regeneration clear cut units have large piles and scattered slash. The primary objective of this prescribed burn is to complete the treatment by consuming 50 - 90% of post treatment activity fuels. In turn this will reduce the existing wildland fire hazard, and reduce potential negative effects from future wildland fire to the both Forest Service and adjacent private lands while restoring fire-adaptive ecosystems. The decrease in fuel continuity and reduction in fuel loading will provide the conditions necessary to keep a wildfire on the surface. This will facilitate fire behavior that is more easily managed by wildland fire fighting resources as well as increase opportunity to maintain safe conditions for the public in the event of a wildfire.

