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Federal agencies plan for prescribed fire on Malheur Refuge

JOHN DAY, OR – Fire crews from the Burns Interagency Fire Zone expect to carry out a 9,200-acre prescribed fire on the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge near Refuge Headquarters within the coming weeks.

The prescribed fire, which will only affect the *south end* of the Malheur National Forest, is intended to reduce fuel loading and improve wildlife habitat.

Burning will occur as weather and fuel moisture conditions allow. There will be noticeable smoke and increased traffic around prescribed fire areas. The public should be aware of the activity and avoid the project site as much as possible.

For further information on prescribed burning in Harney County, contact the Burns District Bureau of Land Management office at (541) 573-4400.

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