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Mt. Taylor Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burns For 2013

Grants, New Mexico- March 29, 2013. The Cibola National Forest and Grasslands' Mt. Taylor Ranger District is planning several prescribed burns this year to clean up residual vegetation from logging operations in the Zuni Mountains.

- The Buckmore prescribed burn will treat approximately 2,000 acres near the old logging town of Buckmore off of FR 421 in Rice Park area.

“By completing this prescribed burn, we will reduce hazardous fuels, reduce the risk of catastrophic fire, reintroduce fire to the ecosystem, and maintain fire adapted vegetation types,” said District Ranger Matt Reidy.

The tentative plan is to Burn from April 3-5 2013, burning will only occur when the appropriate weather is forecasted and the required personnel and equipment are available. Fire management crews will patrol for as long as necessary after ignition to ensure public safety.

The will send out notices and post information on the Cibola's website prior to starting any of these burns. For more information, contact the Mt. Taylor Ranger District at: (505) 287-8833.

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