

National Fire Plan

Good Creek Landscape Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

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Good Creek EIS covered about 72,000 acres some of which was within the Star Meadow community, Flathead County, Tally Lake Ranger District. Over 6,000 acres of treatments were proposed. The treatments included prescribe burning, commercial thinning, non-commercial thinning, and regeneration harvesting in lodge pole pine stands. The main objective of these treatments was to reduce the potential for crown fires and keeping wildfire flame lengths to 2 to 3 feet. They met this objective by reducing the crown bulk density with thinning from below and clear cutting and reforesting lodge pole stands with more fire-adapted species.

