



News Release

Fishlake National Forest



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Beaver Ranger District Preparing for Prescribed Fire Projects

Beaver, Utah- The Fishlake National Forest, Beaver Ranger District Fuels and Fire personnel are preparing to implement several prescribed fire projects starting **in April 2012 through June 2012**. These prescribed fire projects will only be implemented within parameters that meet specific management objectives; these parameters include but are not limited to temperature, wind, speed, soil moisture, fuel moisture and the State Department of Air Quality. The fuel projects will be conducted in a manner consistent with land and resource management plans, public health considerations (smoke issues), and the approved prescribed fire plan.

The following prescribed fire projects are:

<u>Project Area</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Acres Planned/Fuels</u>
Merchant Valley	Merchant Valley, Midway up Beaver Canyon North of highway 153	200-500 acres mixed conifer
Sulphurdale	25 miles north of Beaver East of Sulphurdale Geothermal plant	300 acres pre-cut dried trees
Pine Creek	20 miles north west of Beaver Pine Creek drainage	700-1000 acres mixed conifer
Wildcat	5 miles north of Manderfield North of Indian Creek drainage South of Brush Creek	200- 500 acres oak brush/mixed conifer

The objectives for these fuel projects are to reduce hazardous fuels, decrease the risks from wildfire to life, property and resources, return fire to its natural role in the landscape to maintain a diverse mosaic pattern of vegetation, increase herbaceous forage production for wildlife, improve range habitat and to reduce fuel loading in these areas.

For further information and links about prescribed fire, wildland fire and reducing wildfire risks to your property please visit <http://www.utahfireinfo.gov>.

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