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Fishlake National Forest



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Fillmore Ranger District Preparing for Prescribed Fire Projects

FILLMORE, UTAH - The Fishlake National Forest, Fillmore Ranger District Fuels and Fire personnel are preparing to implement the Church Hills Phase 2 Prescribed Fire Project, **April 16, 2012 through June 2012**. This prescribed fire project will only be implemented within parameters that meet specific management objectives. These parameters include but are not limited to temperature, wind direction and speed, soil moisture, fuel moisture, and State Department of Air Quality standards. The project 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 Church Hills Phase 2 Prescribed Fire Project is located approximately 5 miles to the North of Holden, Utah, and consists of 614 acres of pinyon and juniper tree fuel types. This project has been mechanically treated and will be seeded in the fall to fill bare areas following the prescribed fire treatment.

The primary objectives for this project are to reduce hazardous fuels, decrease the risks of wildfire to life, property and resources, and return fire to its natural role in the landscape. The project will also increase herbaceous forage production for wildlife and improve range habitat.

Past prescribed fire projects with similar vegetation composition within the Fishlake National Forest have shown to improve the health and vigor of desirable vegetative species.

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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