

SOUTHERN UTAH

Color Country District BLM

PROJECT SUMMARIES



GREENVILLE BENCH PRESCRIBED FIRE

Location: Approximately five miles southwest of Beaver, Utah.

Size: 8,000 acres.

Why? To restore the rangeland health values lost to pinyon and juniper encroachment on a landscape scale.

When: As favorable weather conditions permit.

How: Using aerial ignition- “helicopters” after 150 acres of “black-lining” the burn perimeter is completed.



SOUTH CREEK HABITAT RESTORATION

Location: Approximately five miles southeast of Beaver, Utah

Size: 1,400 acres.

Why? To restore wildlife habitat lost to pinyon and juniper encroachment while providing Beaver County residence with increased community wildfire protection.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using mechanical chipper shredders-“bullhogs”.



CEDAR HIGHLANDS WILDFIRE PROTECTION

Location: Southeast side of Cedar City, Utah.

Size: 75 acres.

Why? To create wildfire protection for homes located in and around the community of Cedar Highlands.

When: Spring, Winter of 2012.

How: Using chainsaws to remove hazardous fuels, followed by winter burning of slash piles to mitigate long-term fire hazards.

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DUNCAN CREEK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION
Location: West of Cedar City, along Highway 56, near the communities of Comstock and Woolsey Ranch.

Size: 800 acres.

Why? To reduce hazardous fuels and mitigate the wildfire threat to subdivisions, ranches, and infrastructure of surrounding communities at risk.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using mechanical chipper shredders-“bullhogs”.



SOUTH CANYON MECHANICAL THINNING: PHASE III

Location: Approximately five miles south of Panguitch, Utah

Size: 2,000 acres.

Why? To restore sagebrush and the rangeland health values lost to pinyon and juniper encroachment on a landscape scale while providing Garfield County residents with increased community wildfire protection.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using mechanical chipper shredders-“bullhogs”.



PINE POINT CHAINING MAINTENANCE

Location: Near Deer Springs in Kane County, Utah.

Size: 2500 acres

Why? Pinyon and juniper is encroaching into this treatment area.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using chainsaws to remove encroaching trees in completed treatments.

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KITCHEN SAGEBRUSH RESTORATION

Location: Approximately 25 miles east of Kanab, Utah, north of Highway 89.

Size: 1000 acres.

Why? To provide a healthier sagebrush landscape and create diversity with a favorable understory of grasses, forbs, and healthy sagebrush.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using heavy equipment-“chaining” methods.



BLACK KNOLL VEGETATION ENHANCEMENT

Location: North of Kanab, Utah.

Size: 2,900 acres.

Why? To restore sagebrush and Sage Grouse habitat lost to pinyon and juniper encroachment on a landscape scale.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using mechanical chipper shredders-“bullhogs”, chainsaws, and heavy equipment-“chaining” methods.



PETRIFIED HOLLOW VEGETATION ENHANCEMENT

Location: Approximately 25 miles east of Kanab, Utah, south of Highway 89.

Size: 1200 acres

Why? To restore rangeland health values lost to pinyon and juniper encroachment.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using mechanical chipper shredders-“bullhogs”.

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SKUTUMPAH TERRACE SPIKE TREATMENT

Location: Approximately five miles south of Alton, Utah.

Size: 2500 acres.

Why? Sagebrush landscape diversity is needed to facilitate healthy range land conditions and better wildlife habitat.

When: Fall of 2012.

How: Using approved chemical-“spike” application methods to reduce the amount of sagebrush to promote the growth of favorable grasses and forbs needed for better Sage Grouse habitat.



ANNUAL PROJECT MAINTENANCE

Location: Throughout southern Utah.

Size: 5,000 acres annually.

Why? To maintain previous projects that are being encroached upon by pinyon and juniper trees.

When: Spring, Fall, and Winter of 2012.

How: Using chainsaws to remove encroaching pinyon and juniper trees in previously completed treatments.



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