



Edwards Spring Prescribed Fire Cedar City Ranger District, Dixie National Forest



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Size: 700 acres

Planned Burn Date:

April – June, August - November 2012

Expected Duration: Approximately, 1-5 days for ignition operations, and 5-10 days for fire to clean up accumulated fuels.

Location: 7 Miles NE of Paragonah Utah. Edwards spring project site lies in between the Bucksin flat on the north side and Cottonwood mountain on the south side of the project site.

Legal Description: Township 32 South, Range 7 West: all or part of Sections 35, 36 and Township 33 South, Range 7 West: all or parts of sections 1,2

Project Description: The southern boundary of the burn unit is the road going through Cottonwood Canyon and the burn area is up hill to the north of that road. The fuels in the area are a mix of decadent sage/bitterbrush shrub species, Pinyon and Juniper trees, Mahogany, and Gamble Oak.

Over 300 acres of this project was burned during the Spring of 2009. The remaining 700 acres will be burned by hand and by helicopter ignitions.

The purpose of this burn is to improve forage/habitat for a diversity of wildlife and cattle that utilize the area, and to return the landscape to one dominated by a diverse mountain brush/grass/forb understory and a more historic distribution of Pinyon-Juniper trees which over time have encroached the project area.