



# News Release

## Fishlake National Forest



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### Fillmore Ranger District Preparing for Mechanical and Prescribed Fire Projects

**Fillmore, Utah-** The Fishlake National Forest, Fillmore Ranger District Fuels and Fire personnel are preparing to implement several mechanical and prescribed fire projects starting **November 18, 2016 through March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. These 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 standards set by the State Department of Air Quality. These 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 projects are:

Project Area	Location	Acres Planned/Fuels
<b>Little Valley Habitat Enhancement Project</b> Mechanical/Prescribed Fire	5.5 miles West of Richfield, Utah	<b>2270 acres</b>
<b>East Oak Creek Habitat Enhancement Project</b> Mechanical	4.5 miles to the NW of Scipio, Utah	<b>401 acres</b>
<b>Horse Hollow Project</b> Mechanical/Prescribed Fire	2 miles to the SE of Fillmore, Utah	<b>2667 acres</b>

The objectives and the purposes for these projects are to:

- Reduce hazardous fuels
- Change fire behavior conditions near the communities
- Decrease the risks from wildfire to life, property and resources
- Maintain established fuel breaks by treating Pinyon and Juniper regeneration within existing chaining areas
- Return fire to its natural role on the landscape
- Maintain a diverse mosaic pattern of vegetation
- Increase herbaceous forage production for wildlife
- Improve range habitat in these areas

Possible travel restrictions could include temporary road closures during ignition phases of the project or until the area is safe for travel.

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

