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**HELLS HOLLOW PRESCRIBED FIRE
SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED**

Logan, Utah, November 6, 2012 – Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest fire management personnel, in partnership with the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA), and Utah Partners for Conservation and Development, have successfully treated the remaining burn units of the Hells Hollow prescribed fire project. Also assisting in implementation of the project were: Box Elder, Weber and Cache Counties, Weber Basin Job Corps, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, Bridger-Teton, Caribou-Targhee, and Ashley National Forests personnel.

A significant portion of the project was funded by the Mule Deer Foundation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, and Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources.

Fire personnel completed treatment of 5,763 acres by aerial and hand ignition Thursday, October 4, 2012 through Wednesday, October 10, 2012. In October 2010 approximately 2,100 acres, and in September 2009, approximately 2,010 acres were successfully treated.

Jennefer Parker, Logan District Ranger, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest, said “all objectives of the prescribed fire have been met. Objectives include regeneration of aspen stands for the benefit of wildlife, such as elk, moose and mule deer; and the restoration and maintenance of age-class diversity among sagebrush. “Treatments such as these improve watershed conditions and forest health.” Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Northern Region Habitat Coordinator, Scott Walker, stated that “successfully treating the aspen stands within the Hells Hollow prescribed fire area will promote younger generations of aspen that will benefit the elk and other wildlife within the area”.

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Photo show successful mosaic burn pattern in sage brush, aspen and timber



Photo show firefighter hand igniting with a drip torch



Photo shows example of lighting with a tera-torch

Photo shows example of aerial ignition

