



**WEST DESERT BLM
FUELS MANAGEMENT**



- ❖ Reducing Hazardous Fuels
- ❖ Promoting Ecosystem Resiliency

Fuels Project Informational Bulletin

Lincoln Fuels Project (Multi-phase Mechanical, Herbicide, and Planting Treatment)

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Planned Date: 2013 field season - ongoing

Location: North Oquirrh Management Area, adjacent to the town of Lincoln

Legal Description: T3S R3W S6-7; T3S R4W S1, 11-12

Lat/Long: 112° 14' 40.125" W; 40° 34' 41.813" N

Project Description: The BLM is continuing with the next phase of a broad-scale project to reduce the significant growth of noxious weeds and, in time, reintroduce native vegetation which will enhance wildlife habitat in the North Oquirrh Management Area in Tooele County. These hazardous fuel reduction efforts will also provide improved fire protection to the local communities in the form of a fuelbreak. These strategically located strips of land will be comprised of reduced fuel load thereby lessening flammability. The fuelbreaks will not completely stop fires but will favorably alter the intensity of a fire which in turn makes for much safer and easier fire suppression efforts.

Previous fuel reduction efforts in the area included herbicide application which proved to be partially effective. The plan for the current phase of the project includes ground-discing approximately 400 acres of the western portion of the project area and follow-up with another round of herbicide application. Future herbicide treatments may be required before the project area is suitable for native plant restoration. There may be short-term visual impacts as a result of the work performed, however the benefits of the project include: safer communities, a much more desirable habitat for wildlife, protection of Utah's naturally occurring stands of rare oak hybrids (*Quercus pauciloba*) and a significantly greater aesthetic experience for hikers, photographers, and other recreationists. This BLM project is part of an interagency partnership with Utah's Division of Wildlife Resources.



Flood Canyon – North Oquirrh Management Area