

Tamarisk Hazardous Fuels Removal Project

Colorado, Dolores, and San Juan Riverways



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Location: Multiple areas along the Colorado River corridor from the Dolores River to Kane Creek and areas along the San Juan River including Bluff and Sand Island.

Implementation Date: This project began in the fall of 2006 and is expected to continue throughout the next decade.

Project Acres: 500+

Project Description: Each area in the proposed project has been identified as either a potential risk to public safety or an appropriate location to utilize a fire break to protect recreationists, public facilities, native riparian vegetation and other resources. The Tamarisk Project is an ongoing hazardous fuel reduction effort requiring annual maintenance. Treatments include thinning, hand piling, pile burning and mastication. This fall and winter dried piles from thinning operations will be burned in multiple locations along the riverways and 270 acres will be mechanically treated along the San Juan River near Bluff. The BLM has collaborated with Utah Partners for Conservation & Development (UPCD) for funding the purchase and application of seed.

