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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
HELLS HOLLOW PRESCRIBED FIRE

Logan, Utah, October 14, 2010– Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest, Fire Management personnel announced that appropriate weather conditions are in place to ignite Units 1A and 2A, of the Hells Hollow Prescribed Fire, totaling approximately 4,000 acres starting Friday, October 15, 2010. The Hells Hollow Prescribed Fire is located 14 miles East of Logan, Utah. The prescribed fire area will be closed to the public on the day of the burn and possibly the day after. Hunters and other forest users will need to check with the Logan Ranger District Office (435) 755-3620 to confirm if the Hells Hollow Prescribed Fire has been implemented and if the area is open for use. **(See Attached Map)**

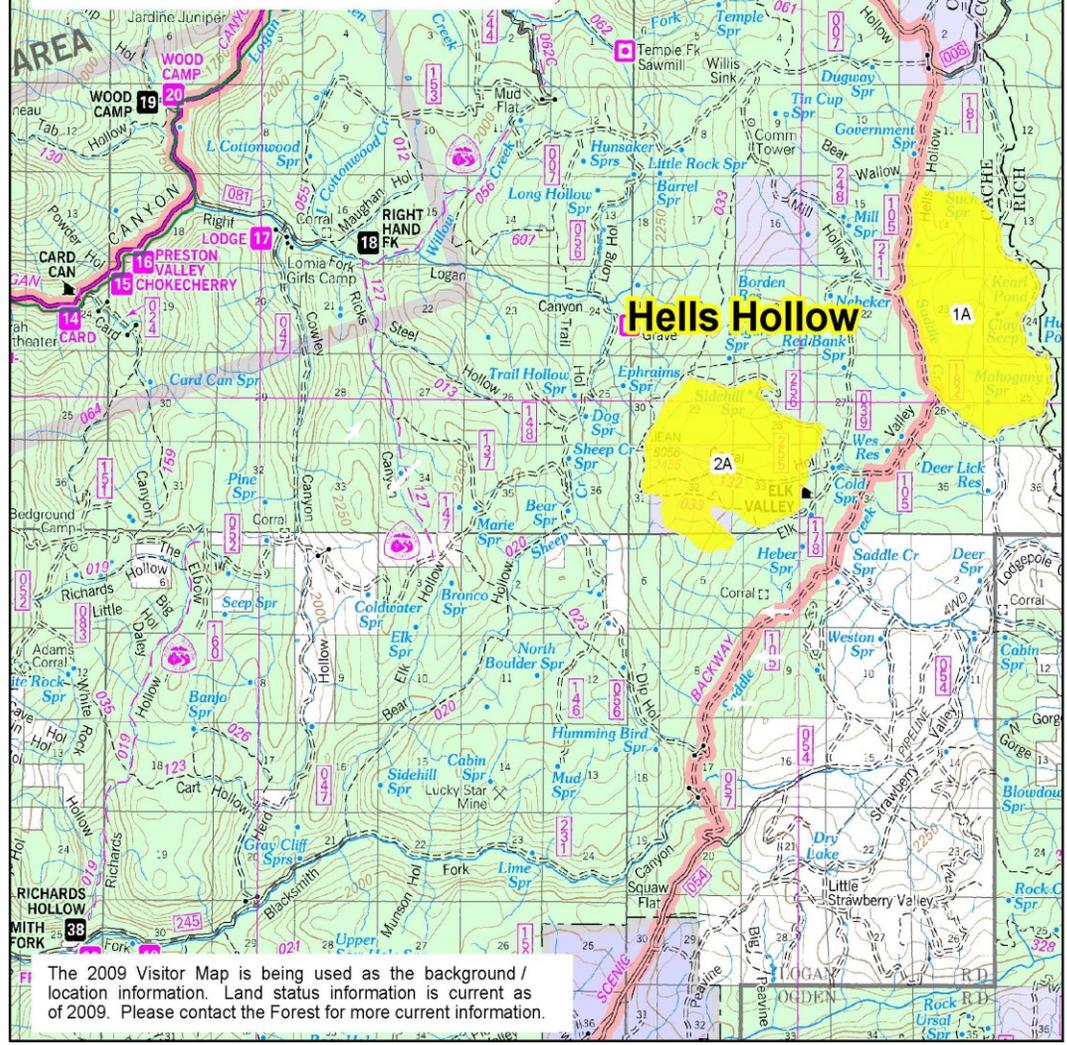
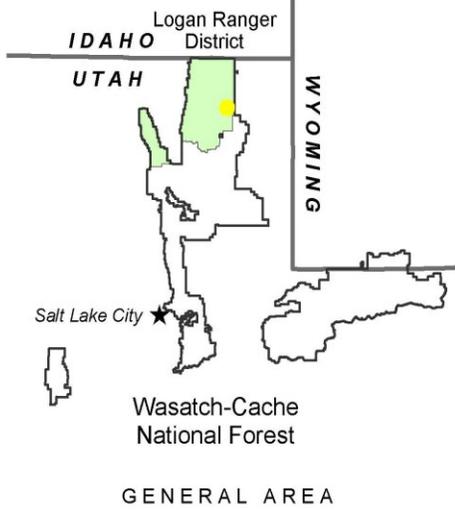
The primary purpose of the prescribed fire is to encourage the restoration of aspen-dominated stands where they are being encroached upon or replaced by conifer-dominated stands. Aspen communities provide important habitat for various birds and mammals. Aspen communities provide important habitat for various birds and mammals and are a significant portion of the mule deer diet. Aspen stands also provide nutrient-rich litter, which decays rapidly, forming a substantial humus layer, which reduces runoff and provides excellent soil protection.

Prescribed fires are conducted within a “prescription” that is determined by appropriate fuel moisture, temperature, humidity, wind, and smoke dispersal. Qualified fire personnel will use hand crews and a helicopter to ignite fire in the designated area and will monitor the fire until it is completely extinguished. Forest users and hunters can expect delays along the roads in the area during the day of the burn and smoke can be expected to linger during the evening and early morning hours.

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The 2009 Visitor Map is being used as the background / location information. Land status information is current as of 2009. Please contact the Forest for more current information.