



# News Release

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## **Forest Managing the East Slide Rock Ridge Fire for Resource Benefits**

**Wells, Nevada...**The East Slide Rock Ridge Fire is located in the heart of the Jarbidge Wilderness, and was reported Sunday afternoon on August 10, 2008. This 100-acre fire is burning in steep and rugged terrain about 15 miles southeast of the town of Jarbidge on the Jarbidge Ranger District of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, in the headwaters of the East Fork of Jarbidge River.

The Forest is managing the East Slide Rock Ridge in accordance with Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Plan and its Fire Management Plan. These documents identify areas where allowing wildland fire to resume its natural role in the ecosystem would benefit the natural resources. The plan emphasizes public and firefighter safety. This fire management approach increases native vegetative diversity, improves wildlife habitat, and reduces the threat of future catastrophic wildfires.

Dry, hot, and windy afternoons have made the fire more visible to the public. Area residents may expect to see smoke for the next few weeks. However, no threat exists to human life or property. Firefighter and public safety remain the top priority.

For further information on this release, contact David Ashby, Acting Jarbidge and Ruby Mountains District Ranger, at 775-752-3357.

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