

NEWS RELEASE Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Spring Mountains National Recreation Area

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Mountain Springs Pile Burning to Begin Saturday Evening

Las Vegas - On Saturday, May 10, 2008 Forest Service fire crews will begin burning piles near Mountain Springs, Nevada. Pile burning will take place near the old Supper Club site off of Highway 159. The material that will be burned is part of a fuels reduction project designed to reduce the threat of a wildland fire in the community.

Fire managers determined that Saturday's weather conditions offer the safest and most optimal time for burning.

Although, 45 acres of piles are slated for burning only a few will be actually burned on Saturday. Pile sizes vary between 3'x3' to 15'x12'.

Throughout the afternoon information updates will be posted at the Mountain Springs Volunteer Fire Station.

Approximately 20 Mountain Springs residents and various Forest Service employees met Thursday evening to discuss what may occur during the pile burning.

Resources on site will include the following:

- Prineville (Oregon) Interagency Hotshot crew
- 2 Forest Service engines
- Clark County water tender
- 1-2 Bureau of Land Management engines
- 2-3 National Park Service engines

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