
Livingston Ranger District News Release



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Spring Burning Begins on the Gallatin National Forest

Livingston, MT... March signifies the beginning of spring burning on the Big Timber and Livingston Ranger Districts of the Gallatin National Forest. The Forest has begun implementing prescribed fire projects.

Prescribed burning projects will be implemented in the Dry Creek and headwaters of East Boulder River drainage. In addition, two burns south of Livingston at Emigrant Gulch and Big Creek will also be implemented. Areas of scattered machine and hand piles throughout these ranger districts will also be burned. "We would like to begin burning as soon as the weather will permit," said Ashley Sites, East Zone Fire Management Officer. "The snow that is often still present within and directly adjacent to proposed units provides natural barriers to fire spread."

Weather conditions will dictate when the burning will occur. The goals for the burn units are varied by project but are primarily for ecological maintenance through the reduction of over-grown under story vegetation.

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