
Bozeman Ranger District News Release



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Spring Burning Begins on the Gallatin National Forest

Bozeman, MT... In the next few weeks, if spring conditions allow, the Bozeman Ranger District will begin implementing prescribed burning. If a window of opportunity opens, prescribed burning projects may be implemented in any of the planned areas: Grassy Mountain area of the Bangtails; Cherry Creek north of the Spanish Peaks; and Dudley Creek drainage in the Gallatin Canyon.

“Given the conditions we are experiencing this spring, the opportunities for burning have been limited. We will be looking for a good window of opportunity,” said Fred Jones, West 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.

For further information please contact the Bozeman Ranger District, 406-522-2520.

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