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BLM to Conduct Burn

The Bureau of Land Management will be burning wooden debris piles at the Howrey Island Recreation Area located in Treasure County, approximately 5.5 miles west of Hysham, Mont., from February 15 to February 24, 2006. The debris piles were piled by machine and were created to remove hazardous fuel.

There are approximately 53 machine piles to be burned during this time. Cooler temperatures and snow allow for good conditions to burn these piles; burning will occur when these conditions exist. The piles consist of non-marketable, wooden debris.

Burning the piles is one of many methods used to reduce hazardous fuels from the project area. Weed spraying, mechanical methods such as using a chipper, or prescribed burning are other methods that have been and could be used in the future.

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