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BLM PLANS PRESCRIBED BURNS AT FORT MEADE

The Bureau of Land Management plans to conduct prescribed burns on 320 acres in the southern half of the Fort Meade Recreation Area near Sturgis, S.D., next week.

The burn area is divided into three units that will be burned separately. All three units are southeast of the Fort Meade VA and east of Interstate 90. If weather conditions are favorable, burning will take place Tuesday, Oct. 10 through Friday, Oct. 13. Smoke will be visible from Interstate 90, State Highway 34, and Sturgis. The BLM Road (Back Country Byway) will be closed to through traffic while burning is taking place.

Questions may be directed to Fort Meade Fuels Module, Attention: Travis Lipp at (605) 720-0747.

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