

Flathead National Forest

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Flathead National Forest Conducting Prescribed Burns

The Flathead National Forest is conducting several prescribed burns across the forest during the next few days.

Today (Wednesday, May 17), approximately 400 acres will be managed with fire near Firefighter Mountain, on the east side of Hungry Horse Reservoir. Aerial ignition will be used and smoke will be visible throughout the afternoon and early evening.

Later this week, a prescribed burn will be conducted on the East Shore of Flathead Lake, in the Parker Creek area (approximately two miles Northeast of Yellow Bay) on National Forest System Lands. Aerial ignition will be used and smoke will be visible- especially from Hwy 93 along the west shore of the lake. The objective of this burn is to increase wildlife habitat, improve browse conditions and reduce fuels. This burn is a component of the East Shore Fuels Reduction Project.

Six Mile Burn, located approximately three miles north of the town Swan Lake and east of the lake will be conducted later this week or weekend. Objectives of this burn are to increase wildlife habitat, improve browse conditions and reduce fuels. Aerial ignition will be used and smoke will be visible.

Several burns are also anticipated in the Spotted Bear area throughout the week.

For more information please contact a local Forest Service Office.