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## **Prescribed Fire Projects Planned for Swan Lake District**

The Swan Lake District of the Flathead National Forest will conduct two prescribed fire projects this week as favorable weather conditions allow. It is anticipated that smoke will be visible.

- Blacktail Mountain Area Burning approximately 50 acres, located three miles southeast of Blacktail Mountain Ski Area. This burning involves primarily logging slash in existing logging units. (At this time this burn is planned for tomorrow, Tuesday, September 9.)
- Swan Lake Area Burning approximately 550 acres, located several miles east of the town of Swan Lake. The Sixmile Trail, Forest Trail #10, and the Alpine 7 Trail north of Hall Lake will be temporarily closed during burn operations. (At this time this burn is planned for Friday, September 12.)

These burns were located and designed for their potential to be controlled and not escape as wildfires. These projects are in compliance with Montana Air Quality Standards and coordinated with Montana State Department of Environmental Quality.

For additional information contact the Swan Lake Ranger District in Bigfork at 837-7500.

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