

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **FISHLAKE NATIONAL FOREST TO CONDUCT PRESCRIBED FIRE**

Richfield, UT.

May 27 through June 10, 2005 are the anticipated dates for a prescribed fire on the southwestern portion of Monroe Mountain being conducted by the U.S. Forest Service. Depending on weather conditions, approximately 1,500 acres will be burned using a combination of hand and/or helicopter ignition methods. The project area is located in the Tibadore Canyon area, 10 miles southeast of the community of Marysvale, Utah.

The Richfield Ranger District will begin to treat approximately 2,316 acres of hazardous fuels in the Tibadore Canyon area. This burn will be separated into two different units, where approximately 60-70% of each unit will be burned in a mosaic pattern to create a diversity of structural vegetative stages, age classes and species composition.

The Richfield Ranger District of the Fishlake National Forest is implementing this project to break up the continuity of available fuels (aerial and surface) and reduce the accumulation of hazardous fuels in the area. By reducing the continuity and amount of hazardous fuels, this will result in lower fireline intensities and flame lengths if a wildfire were to occur in the area. This would better provide for firefighter and public safety.

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