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Greenville Bench Prescribed Fire

Cedar City, Utah – The Greenville Bench prescribed fire located five miles south of Beaver, Utah and west of the I-15 corridor will once again be active throughout the week due to anticipated weather conditions.

Weather anticipated for this week includes winds out of the north-north east switching to south-south west by the end of the week. Humidity will be low and temperatures in the mid to upper 90's at the elevation of the fire. These weather conditions are expected to produce active burning periods over the course of the next several days.

No additional ignition is scheduled at this time. The fire is moving on its own further into the desired area. Resources available to this incident include seven engines, two hand crews, one helicopter and several overhead positions.

The majority of smoke generated this week is expected to lift clear of the Beaver area via transport winds with little effects to residents of the communities or travelers on I-15. However, active smoke will be visible for the next several days. Smoke is also expected to be visible for the next several weeks as conditions continue to change.

This prescribed fire is designed to reduce fuel loads, decrease the risk of future high intensity wildfires and increase ecosystem diversity.