Prescribed fires planned for Tahoe basin

U.S. Forest Service fuels management crews will continue prescribed fire operations in several locations around the Lake Tahoe Basin on Feb. 4.

On the South Shore, operations will take place on the east side of Tahoe Mountain in South Lake Tahoe, the south side of Highway 89 near Camp Richardson, and off North Upper Truckee Road in the Angora Fire area south of Mule Deer Circle.

On the West Shore, operations will take place across from Emerald Bay State Park and on the west side of Highway 89 near Tahoma.

Prescribed fire crews may continue operations through the weekend, weather, staffing, and conditions permitting

All prescribed fire projects are conducted in accordance with an approved prescribed fire burn plan. Burn plans describe specific conditions under which operations are conducted including the weather, number of personnel, opportunities to minimize smoke impacts, and available burn days. This information is used to decide when and where to burn.

Smoke may be visible on Highway 89 near Camp Richardson, Emerald Bay State Park, and Tahoma. Smoke from prescribed fire may continue for several days after the initial ignition.