

Prescribed fire operations to resume in basin

U.S. Forest Service fuels management crews may continue prescribed fire operations in numerous locations around the Lake Tahoe Basin on March 17.

Activity may continue through the week and possibly the weekend if weather, staffing, and conditions allow. Prescribed fire operations may take place on Spooner Summit and in the Luther Pass Campground off of Highway 89. On the West Shore, operations will take place off Tahoe Park Heights Drive in Ward Canyon, the west side of Highway 89 near Tahoma, and near D.L. Bliss State Park.

Locations may vary due to changing conditions.

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.

Smoke from prescribed fire may continue for several days after the initial ignition. Smoke that settles in low lying areas in the morning usually lifts out of the area during normal daytime heating.