

USFS to pile burn in Tahoe basin

U.S. Forest Service fuels management crews will continue prescribed fire operations in several locations around Lake Tahoe on March 24.

Operations may continue through the week and the weekend if weather, staffing, and conditions allow. Fuels management crews may carry out operations on Spooner Summit and in the Luther Pass Campground off of Highway 89. On the West Shore, operations may take place off of 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. This information is used to decide when and where to burn.

Smoke from prescribed fire may continue for several days after the initial ignition.

Forest Service staff will post road signs around the areas affected by the prescribed fire, send email notifications, and update the local fire information line at 530.543.2600, No. 6. To receive prescribed fire notifications, send an email to pa_ltbmu@fs.fed.us.