

Open house to focus on prescribed fires

The Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team will host an open house Nov. 12 to explain and answer questions about how agencies plan and implement prescribed fire in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

The event is from 5 to 6:30pm at the USFS office, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe.

Participating agencies include the Forest Service, CalFire, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and Tahoe Douglas and Lake Valley fire protection districts.

The open house will provides an opportunity for the public to meet basin fire managers and find out how these agencies make decisions about when and where prescribed fire operations will take place. Fire weather forecasting, smoke dispersal and fire behavior modeling, and how moisture in vegetation is tested before burning will be explained.

Attendees can also see prescribed fire before and after photos, maps of upcoming project locations and sign up for prescribed fire notifications.