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## ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST CONDUCTS PRESCRIBED BURNING

The Duchesne/Roosevelt Ranger District will begin four Prescribed Burns this week for the purpose of reducing hazardous fuels, and improving range and wildlife habitat. The planned burn areas are Petty Mountain, (north of Mountain Home), Wire Fence Canyon, Brundage Canyon, and Nutters Canyon (at the South unit of the Duchesne/Roosevelt Ranger District).

Due to uncertain weather and fuel conditions, Fire Management officials may change the date of these burns. All burn areas will be posted for safety, and officials urge the public to be cautious while traveling in these areas. For further information contact the Duchesne Ranger District at (435) 738-2482 or Lisa Ross at (435) 781-5103.