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Prescribed Burns Planned for Color Country

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Officials from the Color Country Interagency Fire Management Area have announced plans to ignite several prescribed burns this fall in southwestern Utah and northwestern Arizona. These burns would be managed by various federal and state agencies including the Bureau of Land Management, the Dixie National Forest, the National Park Service (Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks) and the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. These burns will only occur if forecasted weather conditions are favorable and adequate firefighter resources are available. Portions of some of the burns have already been ignited and fire personnel are waiting for the return of cooler temperatures and lower humidities before continuing. The following prescribed burns are planned for fall 2004.

Burn Unit Ike's Valley	Location 2 miles east of Hwy 89 North side of SR 14	Acres Planned (2 500	Accomplished) (0)	Agency Dixie NF
Pretty Tree Bench (Ponderosa Pine)	Near FR 699 and south of FR 514	500	(240)	Dixie NF
Pretty Tree Bench (Pinyon/Juniper)	2 miles west of Boulder	1350	(700)	Dixie NF
Stump Springs	Near Hwy 12, 15 miles W of Escalante	750	(0)	Dixie NF
Adams Head	2 miles NW of Bryce Canyon Airport	2500	(1740)	Dixie NF
Horse Valley	Southeast of Circleville	6000	(0)	BLM
South Canyon	3 miles S of Panguitch	5000	(0)	BLM
Dry Creek #2	15 miles north of Virgin on Smith Mesa	850	(0)	BLM

Ash Creek	South of New Harmony and West of I-15	1200	(0)	BLM
Clear Trap	Along east boundary of Zion NP Near Zion Ponderosa Ranch	4400	(40)	NPS
Fairyland 2	Bryce Canyon NP	300	(150)	NPS
Neck of the Desert	10 miles west of Cedar City	1000	(0)	State
Lundgren	25 miles E of Cedar City Near Navajo Lake	20	(0)	State

The objectives of these prescribed burns are to use management-ignited fire, where appropriate, to decrease the risks from wildfire to life, property and resources, on both public and private lands and to meet agency-specific resource management goals. Prescribed fire projects are to be conducted in a manner consistent with land and resource management plans, public health considerations (smoke issues) and approved prescribed fire plans.

The Color Country Interagency Fire Management Area is an organization of fire management officials in southwestern Utah and northwestern Arizona (the Arizona Strip) who promote safe and effective fire management through interagency cooperation. Since many wildland and prescribed fires are of a multi-jurisdictional nature, interagency cooperation provides an ideal background for cohesive ecological, social, political and economical considerations for land management.

For more information concerning fire management in Color Country visit our website at www.colorcountryinfo.gov, call our fire information line at 435-865-4696 or contact any of the following agencies.

Bureau of Land Management (Cedar City)	435 586-2401
Dixie National Forest	435 865-3700
National Park Service (Zion National Park)	435 772-3256
Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands (Cedar City)	435 586-4408
Bureau of Indian Affairs (St. George)	435-674-9720

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