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Southwest Idaho Wildfire Crisis Strategy Prescribed Burn Thursday, Friday, Saturday September 28-30th Active unit/projects

Each prescribed burn project in the Southwest Idaho Wildfire Crisis Strategy Prescribed Burn area is divided into smaller units for fire operations, allowing firefighters to manage and control the burning area.

Council Ranger District:

Weasel (13 miles Northwest of Council) – Wednesday work continued in the Peak Mountain unit with an additional 150 acres treated. For the next three days, the intention is to monitor progress on treated areas, patrol the perimeter, and remove any debris on roadways.

Weiser Ranger District:

Robinson (22 miles Northwest of Weiser) – Wednesday crews were able to burn 85 acres. For the next three days, firefighters will be ensuring lines are holding, monitoring, and patrolling.

New Meadows Ranger District:

Brush (10 miles Northwest of New Meadows) – Wednesday's weather impacted burning plans across the Brush Burn area. Crews spent the day holding and monitoring areas treated on Tuesday. With better conditions forecasted, firefighters will be hand igniting today and into the weekend. If fuels are receptive, helicopter ignitions will resume. 700 acres are targeted.

Cold (Lost Valley Reservoir area) – Patrol and Monitoring continues. Some of the burn areas are still showing heat so firefighters are checking regularly.

Goose Creek – Spot burning on 60 acres is planned today. Patrolling and monitoring continue on previously burned areas.

An overview of all the planned prescribed burn areas in the Payette National Forests is available here: bit.ly/PNFprescribedburn2023

For the most current information about prescribed burning projects please visit the Payette Facebook page or visit the Payette National Forest planned fuels treatments map at https://tinyurl.com/Payette-Prescribed-Fire-Map

For more information on the Forest Service Wildfire Crisis Strategy and the Southwest Idaho Landscape project, visit this link: Southwest Idaho Landscape Project

