

Prescribed Fire Smoke Management Pocket Guide

- Understand and follow local, state, federal, and tribal prescribed fire laws and regulations
- Identify, map, and avoid impacting smoke sensitive areas
- Match appropriate smoke impact screening tools to burn complexity
- Notify appropriate parties (neighbors, public agencies, authorities) of intent to burn
- Use test fire to verify expected smoke dispersion
- Only burn when smoke dispersion conditions are favorable
- Be aware of other burning activity and sources of pollution in your area
- When feasible, use ignition patterns and methods which minimize smoke production
- Monitor changing weather conditions and respond to unintended smoke impacts
- Minimize impacts from smoldering smoke
- In high smoke risk areas, explore alternative methods to burning
- Enhance smoke management skills through training and experience



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