

Peer Review Plan

Topic of Review: Recently published General Technical Report [] **Influential Scientific Information**

Agency: USDA Forest Service [x] **Highly Influential Scientific Assessment**

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Subject of Review: General Technical Report PSW-GTR-224, September 2009

Purpose of Report: Ecological Effects of Prescribed Fire Season: A Literature Review and Synthesis for Managers. Authors: Eric E. Knapp, Becky L. Estes, and Carl Skinner.

Type of Review: [x] Panel Review [] Individual Reviewers
[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: _____ End: _____ Completed: XXX

Number of Reviewers: [] 3 or fewer [x] 4 to 10 [] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: _____
The General Technical Report was subject to a rigorous peer process prior to publication. Peer review was conducted by several fire research scientists and ecologists. It was also reviewed by a Pacific Southwest Research Station Assistant Director.

Reviewers selected by: [x] Agency [] Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name: _____

Opportunities for Public Comment? [] Yes [x] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How: _____

When: _____

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [] Yes [x] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [] Yes [x] No

Other: _____