

Fuels Accomplishment Success Story Swan Creek Burn

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Location: Clearwater National Forest, Lochsa Ranger District. The project is near the small community of Syringa, Idaho, on the Lochsa River.

Congressional District: Idaho

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Acreage: Approximately 300 acres

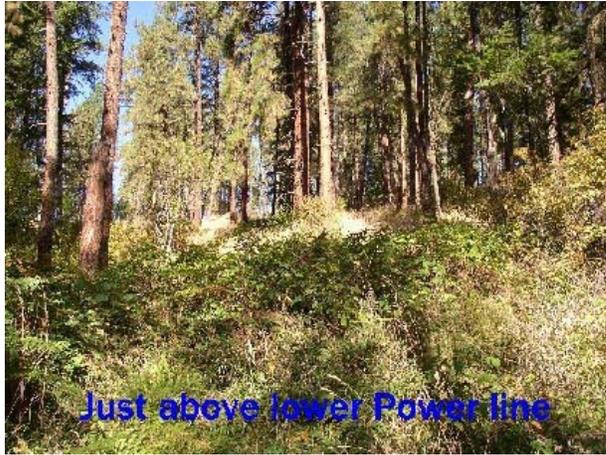
Treatment type: Hand ignition under-burn.

Partners: The District Ranger and Staff worked closely with landowners, other community members, and Idaho County Light and Power.

Workforce: Accomplished with personnel from the Lochsa and Powell Ranger Districts, Fenn Ramger District (Nez Perce National Forest), Grangeville Smokejumpers, Grangeville Helitac, and local non-fire folks from the Lochsa area.

Additional information: This project is a wonderful example of the Healthy Forest Restoration Act at work. Future work on this project will be done in cooperation with the Idaho Department of Lands. Fall burns are planned for the area when it comes in to prescription. The District is working cooperatively with the communities of Syringa and Lowell to plan treatments for 3000-4000 acres over the next 3 years. They are considering some mechanical treatment or pre-commercial harvest for future treatments. Idaho Department of Lands is also pursuing a possible grant for homeowners in the Syringa area.

Photograph(s): The photos below are reflective of the work being done in the Swan Creek area. They display pre-burn, post-burn and green up this spring of one particular area that has been treated.



Just above lower Power line

Pre-treatment



Post-treatment



Spring green-up