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POTRERO PRESCRIBED BURN **Nogales Ranger District, Monday, December 3rd**

(Tucson, Arizona, November 30, 2007) – On Monday, December 3rd, the Nogales Ranger District of the Coronado National Forest plans to burn piles of mechanically-thinned brush on approximately 300 acres in Portrero and Alamo Canyons, which is approximately three miles northwest of Nogales.

The purpose of the burn is to reduce vegetation fuel loading adjacent to the Meadow Hills community, and is part of a routine, ongoing program of vegetative hazardous fuels reduction on National Forest lands across southeastern Arizona.

Rainfall prior to Monday may temporarily delay the burn. The public is asked to avoid the area during burning operations. Residual smoke is expected to be present for approximately two days.

For additional information, please call the Nogales Ranger District at (520) 281-2296.

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