



FIRE NEWS

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PRESCRIBED BURNS PLANNED

Ft. Wainwright, AK — The US Army Alaska and the Bureau of Land Management's Alaska Fire Service will conduct multiple prescribed burns in the Donnelly Training Area East near Delta Junction. The burn projects scheduled for spring 2008 are the Buffalo Drop Zone, Wills Range Complex, Texas Range, and Bolio Lakes.

The prescribed burns will commence with the Buffalo Drop Zone between April 21- April 28 if weather conditions are favorable. The other prescribed burns will occur as weather and military training schedules allow.

The purpose of the burns is to reduce areas of brush and cured grass to assist in preventing serious wildfires from occurring as a result of military training activities.

The size of the burns will vary. The project area covers about 6000 acres.

Firefighters from the Alaska Fire Service and Fort Wainwright will be present to monitor and hold the fire at fire lines and other boundaries.

Smoke may be visible near Delta Junction as a result of the burning operations.

For further information, contact the Fire Information Office at the Alaska Fire Service, 907-356-5511.

For more information about the prescribed fires, please refer to the BLM Alaska Fire Service website: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/>

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