Teton to Snake Fuels Reduction Project

Taylor Mountain Unit—Prescribed Fire

Teton Interagency FIRE

Location– Jackson Ranger District, 7 miles south of Wilson, Wy and west of the Fall Creek Road– Teton To Snake Fuels Reduction Project area.

Implementation Dates– April 12th thru 17th as weather permits and returning in the Fall of 2021 to continue firing operations.

Total Size of the Taylor Mountain Unit -875 acres * treatment goal for Spring 2021 = 250 acres

Fuel types– Sage, Grass, Mixed Conifer and Aspen

Treated Acres to Date– Mitigation on federal lands started in 2018, Crews hand cut and thinned dead and downed vegetation and piled debris for burning later in the field season outside of high fire danger. The work accomplished to date has eliminated the hazardous fuel directly adjacent to private homes and strengths the fuels mitigation work completed within the neighboring sub-divisions.

Ignitions Strategy– Engines, portable water holding tanks and hose lays will support holding operations adjacent to the private properties. Firefighters will gradually build upon the existing blackline with hand held drip torches to reinforce the holding operations. Once the holding line is secure, a type 3 helicopter will ignite designated pockets of heavy fuel in both sage and timber.

Resources on Scene– 30 Wildland firefighters, 2 fire effects monitors, 2 information officers, helicopter manager, 3 interagency fire engines , one type 3 helicopter, 1 remote weather station and one smoke monitor.

Purpose and Need -Wildfires are inevitable, but the destruction of homes, ecosystems, and lives is not. These large investments in wildland fuel reduction projects help to reduce human and ecological losses from unwanted wildfires, protecting communities and increase the probability that managers can respond to natural fire starts using tactics that are lighter on the land and allow fire to operate more freely in contributing to natural ecosystem processes.

To learn for about home safety within the home ignition zone and the steps you can take scan the image to the right with your camera.

Taylor Mountain Unit 2 RX
Operations Briefing Map
April 12, 2021

Legend

■ DP	-··-··► Completed Handline
Ⓟ Mark III	☐ Private Parcels
Ⓤ Medivac	⬚ Completed Micro Burns
RAWS	⬚ Fine Fuels Target Areas
Ⓦ Water Source	☐ Prescribed Fire Unit Boundary
■ Natural Barrier	
Access Roads	

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