

Prescribed Fire for Foresters

April 28-29, 2020

Online

Prescribed fire is an important land management tool, and landowner interest in using this tool has gained considerable momentum over the last few years. This two-part workshop will provide attendees with the skills to develop smoke management plans, increase understanding of liability and permit development, and highlight management examples along with upcoming opportunities and policy changes. The workshop is intended for foresters, resource managers, and others with an interest in prescribed fire on private forest lands. **Preregistration is required by April 20th.**

Assuming COVID-19 restrictions remain in place, we will deliver this program online with talks being available in advance to watch at your convenience. On April 28-29 the speakers will be available for you to ask them questions in three blocks of time. If restrictions lift, plan for an in-person program in Eureka at the Ag Center.

April 28th Two online chat sessions with groups of speakers

9:00-10:30 Chat session 1 with speakers who covered:

- Rx fire options, myths, & fire liability (Lenya Quinn-Davidson, UCCE)
- Prescribed Burn Association options and economics (Jeff Stackhouse, UCCE)
- New Certified Burn Boss program and liability case studies (Lenya Quinn Davidson, UCCE)
- Cal Fire permitting, CFIP, and VMP (CAL FIRE)
- NRCS prescribed burning (Matt Cocking, NRCS)
- US Fish and Wildlife Service Partners Program and Rx fire (Greg Gray, USFWS)

1:00- 2:30 Chat session 2 with speakers who covered:

- Using Rx fire in ponderosa plantations to maximize wildfire resilience and productivity (Eric Knapp, USDA Forest Service Research)
- Using Rx fire to manage second-growth redwood and to manage Douglas-fir encroachment in oak woodlands (Eamon Engber, Redwood Nat. Park)
- Scaling up: strategic landscape planning (Nick Goulette, Watershed Center)
- Fire weather and other important considerations (Hugh Scanlon)

April 29th Morning online chat sessions with groups of speakers

9:00-10:30 Chat session 3 with speakers who covered:

- Air quality permitting overview and updates (Lenya Quinn-Davidson and Jeff Stackhouse, UCCE)
- Working with the NCUAQMD to obtain your permits and develop your SMP: best practices to ensure everything's in place when you are ready to burn (Deborah Harris, NCUAQMD- invited)
- Elements of the smoke management plan: understanding unit layout, SMP calculations, and other aspects of smoke management planning (Lenya Quinn-Davidson and Jeff Stackhouse, UCCE)



Photos:
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