

2024 ANNUAL REPORT FOR:



CITY OF BEND



PRESCRIBED FIRE, SMOKE, AND PUBLIC HEALTH:

A Community Response Plan for the Bend Smoke Sensitive Receptor Area

Introduction

This report is provided to meet the requirements of OAR 629-048-0180 (3)(f) in order to maintain the exemption from the one-hour air quality threshold in the Oregon Smoke Management Plan granted on December 7, 2019 for the Bend Smoke Sensitive Receptor Area. This report describes actions taken from the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 regarding the implementation of the Bend Smoke Sensitive Receptor Area (SSRA) Community Response Plan (CRP).

Social license is a critical element of furthering this work—without community buy-in, prescribed fire is exceedingly difficult to implement. Similarly, wildfire readiness and community understanding of how to respond in the event of an emergency are equally important to protecting public health and safety. For these reasons, this report includes examples of outreach related to forest restoration and the Wildfire Crisis Strategy and emergency/wildfire evacuation readiness, in addition to smoke and health-focused communications.

Public health efforts to increase community resilience to smoke can be thought of in two categories: risk communications and education, and mitigation/interventions. Interventions to reduce exposure to wildfire smoke are still relatively new in Central Oregon and include offering daytime respite from smoke and heat as well as increasing overnight shelter capacity during wildfire season. In addition to communications, this report will describe an overview of sheltering efforts and the data being collected to inform these efforts.

Overview of the 2024 Prescribed Fire Year

Firefighters started off 2024 with pile burning operations on the Bend-Fort Rock and Sisters Ranger Districts in January as conditions were favorable.

The Sisters Ranger District took advantage of a brief window of opportunity to start spring understory burning with the first ignition of the season on April 10, two miles west of Sisters directly west of the Tollgate subdivision and north of the Crossroads subdivision.

Wet weather and unfavorable conditions halted additional understory burning until April 23, at which point the Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District began operations in units adjacent to Paulina Lake Road north of La Pine and the Sisters Ranger District continued critical wildland-urban interface prescribed burning around Sisters.

During the last week of April and first week in May, local unit firefighters conducted 849 acres of prescribed burning with support from *Central Oregon Prescribed Fire Training Exchange* participants.

The majority of understory prescribed burning on the Deschutes National Forest occurred in May. Accomplishments included 486 acres of cross-boundary prescribed burning on private land west of Bend to build upon Forest Service fuels treatments in the area, hosting the West Bend EPA Pilot Project (see more below) and conducting 1,864 acres of prescribed burning in the wildland-urban interface west of Bend, holding the first western expansion of the *National Interagency Prescribed Fire Training Center's Agency Administrator's Workshop*, and implementing multiple operations within the wildland-urban interface directly adjacent to the community of Sisters.

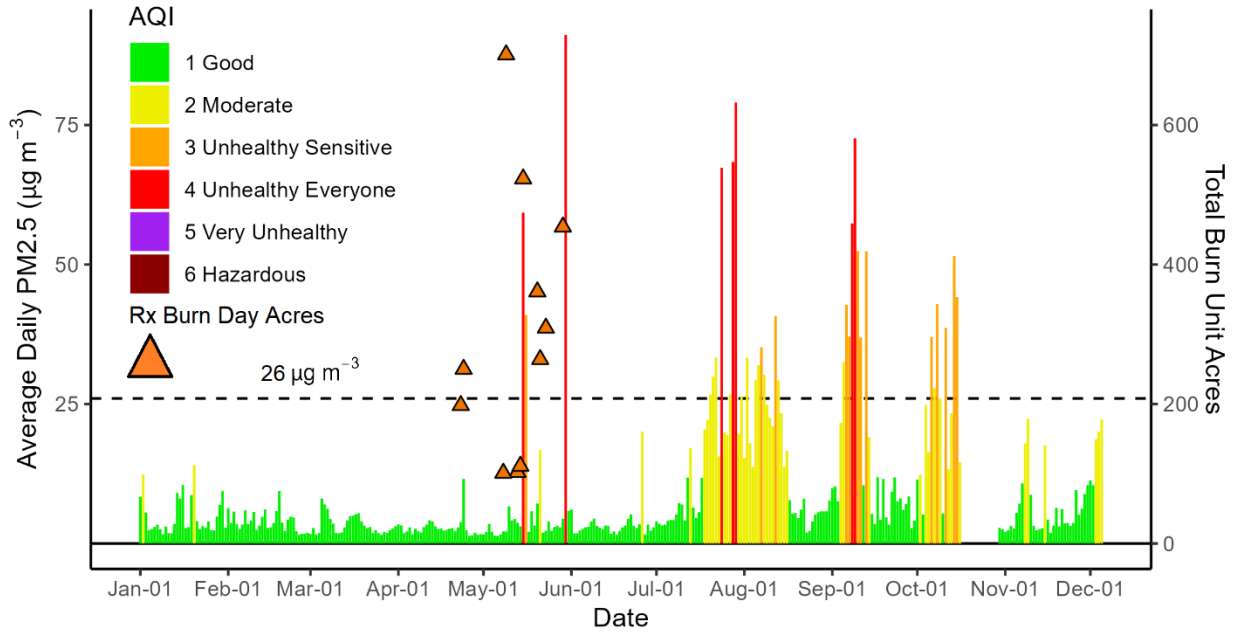
While multiple attempts were made in June to complete additional acres of prescribed burning west of Bend, conditions proved unfavorable. Wednesday, May 29, was the final day of successful spring understory prescribed burning ignitions.

Over the course of spring understory prescribed burning, the Deschutes National Forest accomplished 6,582 acres of prescribed burning over the course of 24 operations with some operations occurring simultaneously on the same day.

The 2024 fire season was long in duration with several fires still on the landscape through October. Weather conditions throughout the first half of October registered as anomalous with temperatures well above normal averages and little to no precipitation in the area. Due to a combination of wildfire remaining on the Central Oregon landscape with incident management teams engaged through October, a dramatic shift from dry conditions to precipitation, including higher elevation snow, as well as limited staffing capacity – no understory prescribed burning occurred in the fall.

Firefighters started pile burning at the end of October and continued hand and landing pile ignitions through December.

2024 Prescribed Burn and Wildfire Smoke (Pump Station)



2024 Prescribed Burn and Wildfire Smoke (8th Street)

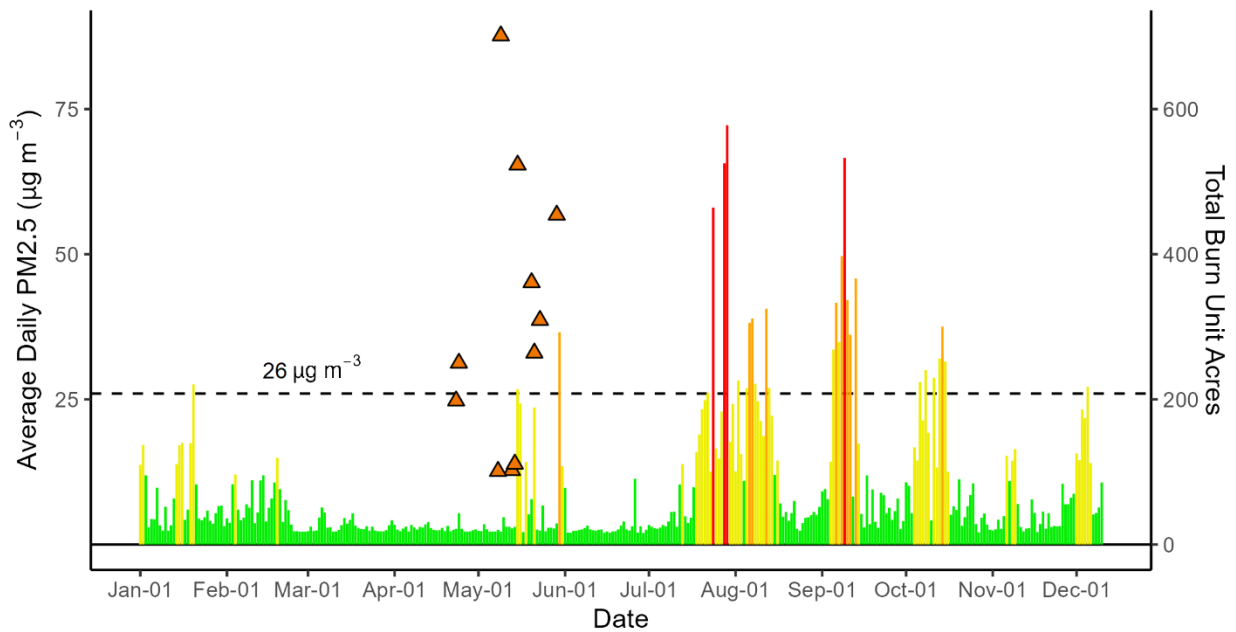


Figure 1: Average daily PM_{2.5} ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, left Y axis) with the right Y axis denoting prescribed burn unit size (acres) corresponding to individual prescribed burns conducted within the airshed around Bend (orange triangles). Two air monitor locations are shown: Bend Pump Station and 8th Street. Note significant increase in acreage burned compared to previous years. Air quality impacts during Spring prescribed burns were observed, but as demonstrated in later figures, these impacts were highly variable throughout the day and across the area. Wildfire smoke impacts were more similar across the area (Aug-Sept-Oct).

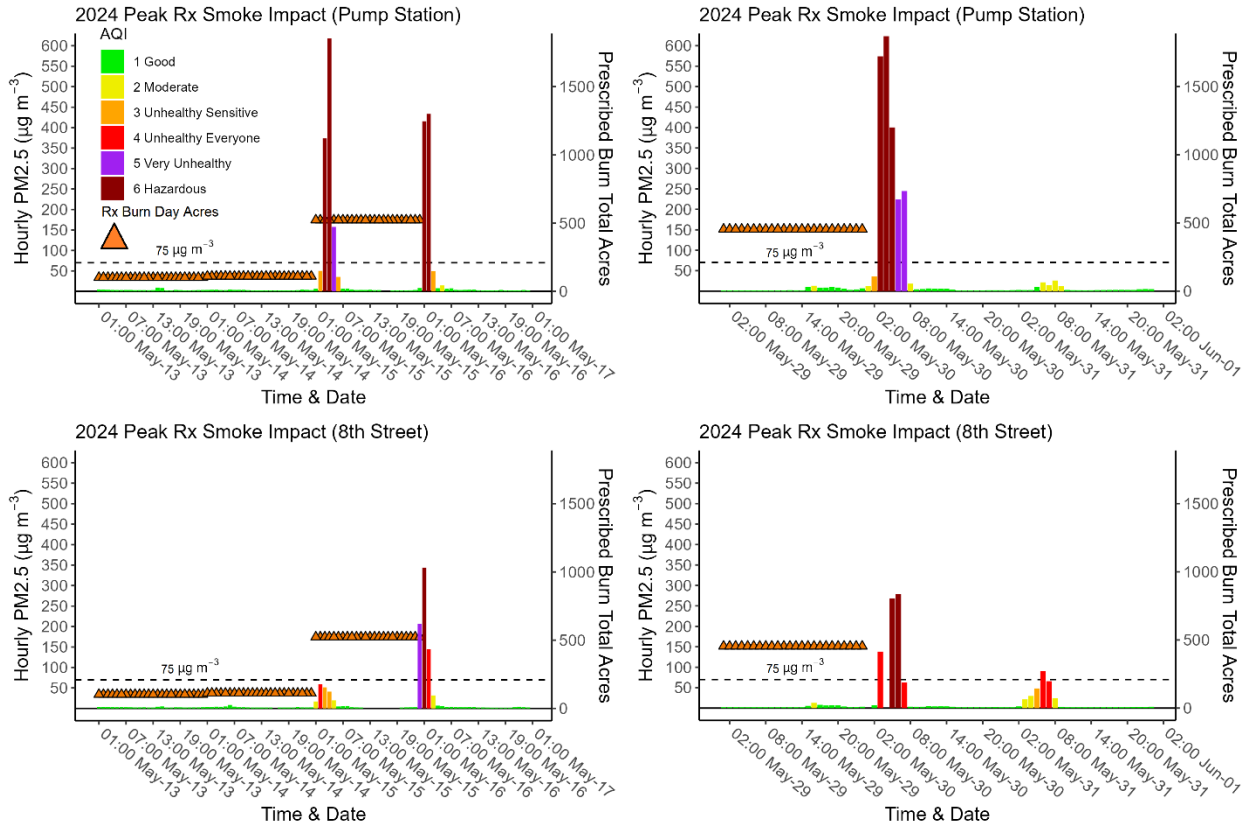
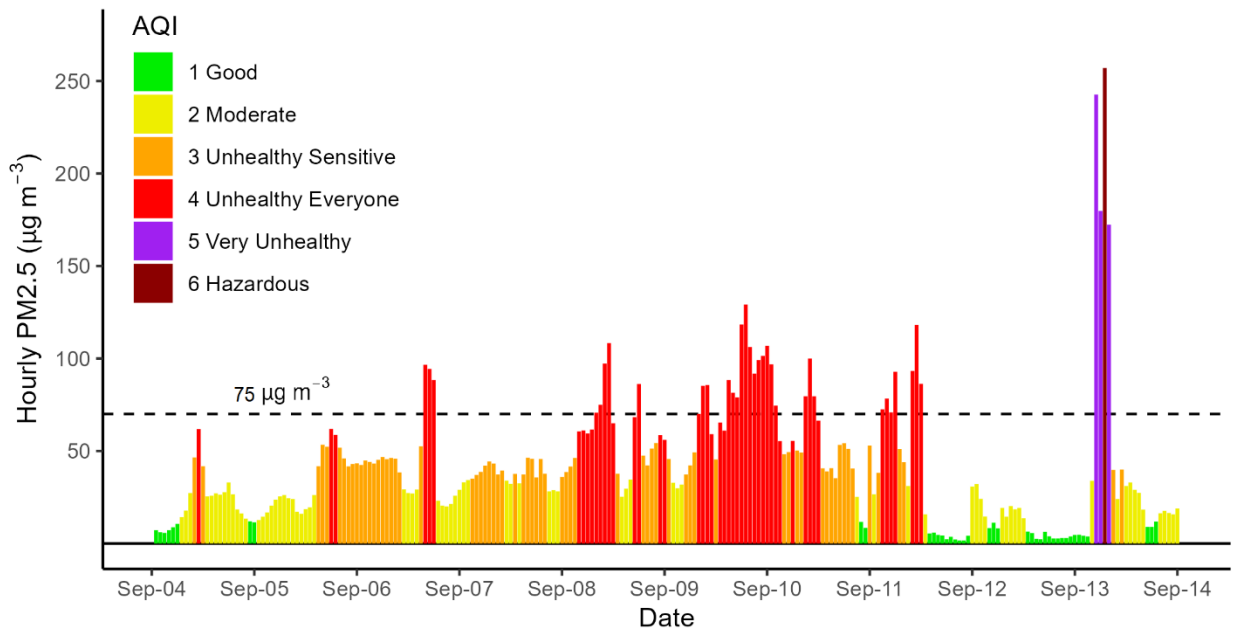


Figure 2: Hourly PM2.5 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, left Y axis) with the right Y axis denoting prescribed burn unit size (acres) corresponding to individual prescribed burns conducted within the airshed around Bend (orange triangles). Note highly localized impacts; for example PM 2.5 on exceeded 600 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ at Pump Station just after midnight on May 15th and did not exceed 75 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ for the same time period at 8th street. Air quality impacts also vary greatly from hour to hour, and are highest overnight and into the early morning hours. As described and reported previously, temperature inversions and topography play a dominant role in prescribed fire smoke impacts during Springtime.

2024 Peak Wildfire Smoke Impact (Pump Station)



2024 Peak Wildfire Smoke Impact (8th Street)

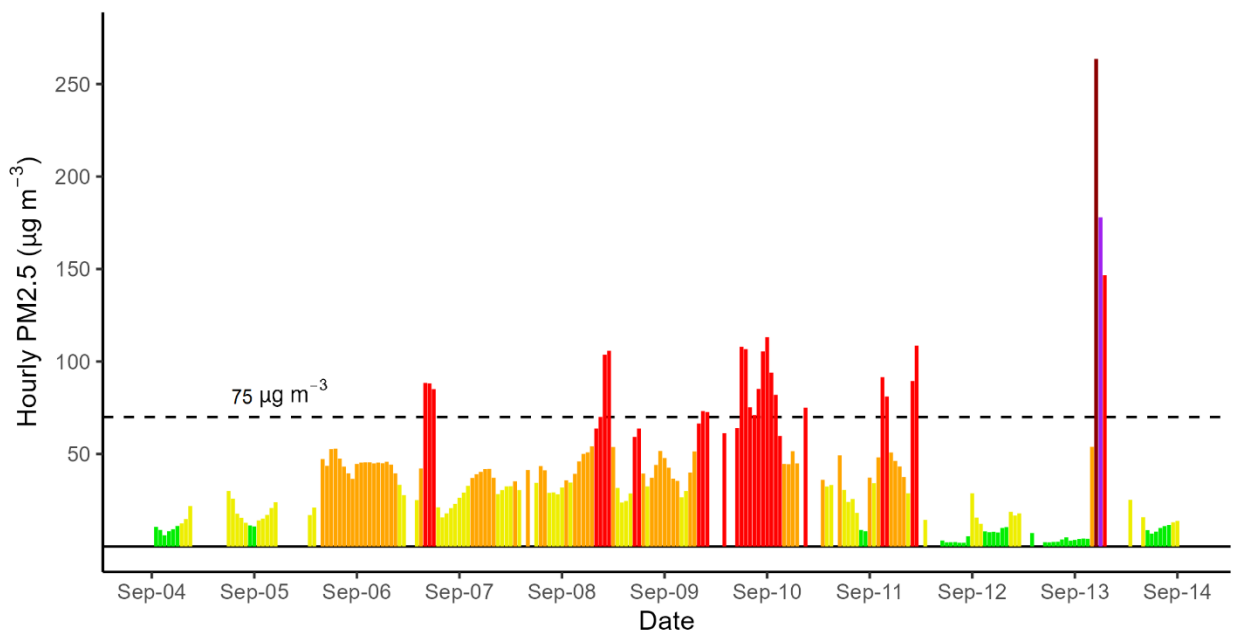


Figure 3 Hourly PM2.5 ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) recorded at Pump Station and 8th St. monitors during Peak Wildfire Smoke Impact. Wildfire smoke impacts on these dates coincided with the Bachelor Complex fires, which started after a dry lightning event. Note air quality impacts were sustained over the course of consecutive hours and days, and with less variability between the two monitors shown.

The following sections (A-D) are intended to address OAR 629-048-0180 (3)(f) (A) - (D) which states:
... SSRAs that have received an exemption must demonstrate they are implementing their community response plan through an annual report provided by the local health authority detailing:

(A) Compliance with requirements in [629-048-0180](2);

(B) A summary of methods used to communicate to the public and vulnerable populations;

(C) A log of dates and times the community initiated their response plan;

(D) A record of local meetings to discuss or update the community response plan.

(A) Compliance with Requirements The approved Bend SSRA CRP continues to be relevant and reflective of the smoke and public health issues in Central Oregon.

West Bend EPA Pilot Project

2024 was unique because of the [West Bend Pilot Project](#), an extensive undertaking with multiple local, state and Federal partners that came about partly in response to a [Memorandum of Understanding](#). This MOU describes an agreement between the United States Department of Agriculture, Department of Interior, Environmental Protection Agency and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to work together towards the joint goals of protecting public health from the impacts of smoke and enabling land management practices that reduce the future risk of large, high severity fire events. The project was proposed during EPA Tabletop meetings in Bend in October 2023. This project, and the activities captured in this report were possible because of the foundational ongoing work of this Community Smoke Response Plan.

The West Bend Pilot Project focused on increasing the pace and scale of prescribed burning in the wildland-urban interface west of Bend while minimizing negative public health impacts.

There were many parts and players involved. ICS (Incident Command System) provided structure for all the entities and sub-projects that were part of the work for several months preceding the Spring burn window. Workgroups were focused on: Public Health activities Communications, Smoke Forecasting, and Research. The findings from the smoke forecasting and research groups, along with learnings from the inter-agency collaboration, will inform this work (at the local/regional level and beyond, to the national level) in the years to come.

Prescribed burning on the National Forest System lands west of Bend has been limited by many factors during previous years. The lands are extraordinarily popular for recreation by both locals and visitors. Not only does the area receive heavy use, but several neighborhoods are located directly adjacent to the Deschutes National Forest boundary. Beyond weather and fuel conditions, burn windows are impacted by recreation and tourism needs (festivals, races), keystone community events (Mother's Day, school graduation ceremonies), and public support considerations (smoke fatigue). Smoke management protocols have further limited the amount of prescribed burning that could occur west of Bend due to regulations restricting planned smoke events within Smoke Sensitive Receptor Areas (SSRAs). Over the past decade, the Deschutes National Forest accomplished on average 200 acres a year of prescribed burning in this area. Through the implementation of the West Bend EPA Pilot Project, firefighters conducted ignitions on 1,864 acres of National Forest System lands and cross-boundary private property. This was a remarkable achievement that reflects significant investment of resources (at the local, state, and federal level). The West Bend EPA Pilot Project and the lessons learned are serving as a model for other areas, including central Washington to undertake similar efforts.

The West Bend Pilot Project provided an opportunity to build on our existing partnerships and expand the reach of our communications to vulnerable populations. Although the project will not be repeated in Central Oregon in 2025, many of the communications and outreach activities will be maintained as part of our ongoing effort to create wildfire and smoke resilient communities.

(B) Summary of Communication Methods

Central Oregon Fire Website

The CentralOregonFire.org website is the centerpiece of the communication strategy for information related to wildfires, prescribed fire activity, and air quality impacts from smoke. Each agency can post relevant information they wish to make available to the public (Deschutes National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Department of Forestry). The website is used throughout the year to keep the public and vulnerable populations up to date on when and where to expect prescribed fire and associated smoke. The website landing page shows a news feed with the most recent updates on prescribed burning and wildfires. Additional pages have interactive maps that are updated as burns are planned and implemented. Detailed information about smoke and health is posted on the site. Relevant information such as DEQ-issued Wildfire Smoke Advisories are also shared on the home page.

Public Health Themes and Messaging

Deschutes County Public Health developed a handout that captured the theme for the health communications of the Spring Burn season: Prescribed Fire Season is the time to get Smoke Ready. This message was the cornerstone of our public health messaging throughout the West Bend Pilot Project, summarized below.

During Prescribed Fire season, the public is encouraged to take steps to prepare for the known/anticipated smoke impacts that are likely to occur from planned burns. People can be smoke ready by: signing up for alerts, checking trusted sites for up-to-date information, closing windows overnight, and taking other steps as needed to protect their health from smoke (i.e. seeking cleaner air spaces, wearing N95 masks, using an air purifier in the home). Everyone is recommended to limit exposure to smoke to protect their health. Being aware, informed and ready is the best way to limit exposure during Spring prescribed burn season. Being smoke ready during Prescribed Fire season means that people are ready for wildfire smoke impacts that typically occur later in summer, usually for longer durations and without warning.

Summary of Notifications and Media *See attached spreadsheet for more details*

Press Releases	35
Text Alerts	31
Media Stories	60
Events Attended	20

Communication Platform	Number of Subscribers/Followers	Increase from 2023	Percent Increase from 2023
CO Fire Text Alerts	23,973	5,319	22%
CO Fire Info Twitter	22,389	4,130	18%
CO Fire Email Alerts	4,745	2,232	47%

COFIRE Text Alerts

Opt-in text alerts are sent to subscribers for all understory prescribed burns and high-profile pile burning with details including location, planned acres and scheduled ignition time.

Central Oregon Fire Info X (formerly known as Twitter) (@CentralORFire)

The Central Oregon Fire Info X (formerly known as Twitter) account is used to supplement information provided on the Central Oregon Fire Info website. Links to press releases are posted to the X (formerly known as Twitter) account.

In addition, supplemental posts outlining various phases of prescribed burn operations, including test fire, ignition progression and completion of ignitions are added to the account for high-visibility understory burns. The public is notified of daily pile burning updates not captured by a press release via X (formerly known as Twitter) posts.

Information is also amplified on the Deschutes National Forest's X (formerly known as Twitter) (**17,516 Followers**) and Facebook (**34,760 Followers**) accounts.

CentralOregonFire.org Email Subscribers

All blog posts added to the *CentralOregonFire.org* website are emailed out to those who have opted-in to the email subscription. Users can sign-up for this distribution list on the *CentralOregonFire.org* webpage.

Deschutes County Social Media Deschutes County (DC) released a suite of social media posts related to being informed and smoke ready in advance of, and throughout prescribed fire and wildfire seasons. Posts were provided in Spanish when possible. Posts from DNF announcing planned burns, and DEQ smoke advisory posts were shared on DC social media channels: Facebook, X (formerly known as Twitter) and Instagram. DC also posted about safe recreation, evacuation readiness, cleaner air spaces, and mental health needs during periods of sustained wildfire smoke.

Print Products

The Deschutes National Forest and Deschutes County Public Health staff produced several products to compliment community outreach efforts around prescribed burning:

- **West Bend Prescribed Burning Two-Pager (Appendix 1)** – The Deschutes National Forest and Deschutes County Public Health developed a two-page handout to share at events, distribute to targeted community groups and provide via email to residents potentially impacted by smoke from prescribed burning operations west of Bend. One side provided information about planned prescribed burns, why they're needed and how people can stay informed. The other side was the previously described handout providing information about how to be smoke ready and where to find resources.
- **Deschutes National Forest Prescribed Burning Two-Pager** – This was similar to the handout described above. In this case the prescribed burning information described implementation across the Deschutes National Forest, not just those units concentrated in the area west of Bend.
- **Map Overview Handouts** – The Deschutes National Forest developed handouts for each ranger district that included the information shared on the two-pager above as well as general maps showing potential prescribed burn locations for the season.
- **Temporary Interpretive Signage (Appendix 2)** – The Deschutes National Forest developed temporary interpretive kiosks for the area west of Bend that explained the why and importance of prescribed burning. These large signs were posted on fire information boards

at the Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, the junction of Forest Service Road 41 and the Cascade Lakes Highway and at Phil's Trailhead.

- **Central Oregon Fire Info Cards** – Business card-sized handouts including a QR code to the CentralOregonFire.org website and additional information about prescribed burning and air quality resources were distributed during public contacts at prescribed burns, during outreach events and by Forest Service staff and Forest Stewards volunteers when engaging with visitors in the field.

Community Outreach

- **Joint Press Release** – The Deschutes National Forest and Deschutes, Jefferson and Klamath County Public Health Departments issued a [joint press release](#) ahead of the prescribed burning season to inform Central Oregon communities about planned prescribed burn operations slated for the spring on the Deschutes National Forest and to provide resources to help the public prepare for smoke. While both agencies have used press releases in the past to provide information about prescribed fire and smoke, this was the first year that a joint press release was used. This joint approach demonstrates the partnership and coordination between local public health and land managers to our regional communities.
- **Deschutes County Public Health Communications** – Tailored information about prescribed burns and protecting health from smoke were sent to Deschutes County residents as well as target audiences in partnership with agencies that serve priority populations.
 - **General Public:** [Central Oregon Public Health Newsletter](#) (40,000 subscribers); Inside DC Newsletter (47,000 subscribers).
 - **Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities:** DC I/DD staff provided announcements to all Foster Providers and also with case managers. ODHS Case managers were notified and included smoke readiness in contact with consumers.
 - **Older Adults:** [Council on Aging of Central Oregon newsletter](#); 2-page handout provided to all Meals on Wheels clients in tri-county; handout included in DC Public Library packets mailed to assisted living facilities.
 - **Congregate Settings:** letters with handouts sent to child care centers, adult foster home providers.
 - **Spanish Speakers:** Two-Pagers and joint press release were translated into Spanish and disseminated to community partners serving Spanish speakers.
 - **Unhoused:** communications with service providers, offered N95's and coordination of cleaner air spaces
 - **Youth/Parents/Families:** Information included in Family Spotlight Newsletter and shared on social media by Bend La Pine School District.
 - **Outdoor Workers:** OSHA Compliance Office shared with employers in the area.
 - **People with underlying health conditions:** information was shared in multiple meetings with clinical health care provider partners and a Health Alert Network (HAN) announcement was issued, reaching health care providers throughout the region.

Targeted Community Events, Presentations & Outreach – During the months leading up to implementation of prescribed burning, the Deschutes National Forest and Deschutes County Public Health participated in 24 targeted events, presentations and outreach opportunities to increase community awareness about prescribed burning.

Bend-La Pine School District Two-Pager Distribution to Parents	Bend, La Pine
Bend Senior Services Center Lunch Discussion	Bend
Community Resource Huddle	Central Oregon
Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project – Outreach Subcommittee Meeting	Central Oregon
Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project – Prescribed Burn Subcommittee Meeting	Central Oregon
Deschutes County Library Newsletter	Central Oregon
Deschutes County Public Health – Key Stakeholders Meeting	Central Oregon
Deschutes River Woods Community Meeting	Bend
High Desert Museum’s Natural History Pub Series	Bend
La Pine Senior Center Lunch Discussion	La Pine
Meals on Wheels – Two-Pager Dissemination to Clients	Central Oregon
Outfitter & Guide / Recreation Special Use Permittes - Key Stakeholder Meeting	Bend
Post-Burn Prescribed Burn Tour	Bend
Prescribed Burn Stakeholders Tour	Bend
Prescribed Burn Stakeholders Tour	La Pine
Quarterly Call – Visit Bend / Visit Central Oregon	Central Oregon
Sisters Open House	Sisters
Summit West HOA Wildfire Preparedness Fair	Bend
Target Email – Bend neighborhood associations & HOA groups	Bend
Widgi Creek HOA Wildfire Safety Event	Bend
Wildfire Crisis Strategy Trivia Nights	Bend, Sisters
Wildfire Preparedness Fair	Bend
Wildfire Preparedness Fair	La Pine
Wildfire Preparedness Fair	Sisters

- **Pre-Season Social Media Campaign** – The Deschutes National Forest ran pre-prescribed burn season social media campaign sharing about upcoming plans, how people can stay informed and the role of prescribed burning in restoring our fire-dependent ecosystem and reducing wildfire risk.
- **Media Interviews** – Deschutes National Forest public affairs staff conducted 24 media interviews spanning television, radio and print media to provide information on stories related to prescribed burning. 60 media stories were generated throughout the year on prescribed burning and pile burning. Deschutes County Public Health staff also participated in media interviews to provide recommendations about protecting health from smoke during prescribed burns.
- **Forest Stewards** – Discover Your Forest, the non-profit partner of the Deschutes National Forest, developed a new volunteer program in coordination with the Deschutes National Forest to expand public outreach and engagement in the field. The Forest Stewards spend time at popular recreation sites and events sharing information about current restoration work, recreation conditions, trail etiquette and sustainability, and general forest information. This spring the Deschutes National Forest expanded public engagement opportunities during prescribed burning through the use of Forest Stewards at locations where smoke columns were highly visible. During the summer, the Forest Stewards used their presence at Phil’s Trailhead, the Cascade Lakes Welcome Station and other locations west of Bend to speak to the post-prescribed burn landscape.

- **Wildfire Crisis Strategy Trivia Nights** – Discover Your Forest, the non-profit partner of the Deschutes National Forest, & the Deschutes National Forest hosted a series of forest restoration-themed trivia nights at local breweries and restaurants.
- **Burn Day Notification Process** – For each individual prescribed burn, outreach and communication efforts included a press release (sent to local media and several tailored email distribution lists depending on location), text alert, website posting and social media.
- **Public Information Officer Presence** – Provided onsite public information officers (PIOs) for all high-profile prescribed burns that were visible from communities. For prescribed burning west of Bend, PIOs spent time talking to the public at locations including, Pilot Butte, Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Phil’s Trailhead, Shevlin Park, Sunriver, La Pine and various road / trail closure locations.

Cleaner Air Spaces and Additional Mitigation Strategies

DCPH works with community partners and service providers to ensure access to cleaner air spaces and cooling centers throughout summer hazards season. Cleaner air spaces and cooling shelters are not widely promoted during prescribed burning season because of the conditions; the smoke tends to occur briefly and overnight when the temperatures are cool. However, DCPH staff made sure to communicate with service providers to make sure that they were aware of the prescribed burns in advance, and could share this information with the unhoused clients they serve. Two partners serving unhoused clients requested N95’s in advance of prescribed burning.

A map layer was added to our [Extreme Weather Operations page](#) to show locations for the cleaner air and cooling spaces that are available to the public to improve the ways that people can access that information. DCPH notifies partners when air quality index levels are expected to be unhealthy or worse for 24 hours, recommending activation of additional capacity. Utilization data is gathered from providers throughout the season. As in previous years, sites offering daytime respite from smoke (such as libraries, senior centers, peer self-help centers) did not see an uptick in the number of visitors when it was smoky and/or hot. Overnight shelters did see clients utilizing extra beds when they were offered, but it was not clear whether clients were seeking respite from smoke or heat specifically.

Additional efforts to provide supports for protecting vulnerable community members from smoke are described below.

- **N95 Masks:** These were allocated to multiple partners and offered at outreach events, including Sisters Fire, Discover your Forest, La Pine Senior Center and other partners.
- **Box Fan Filters:** Environmental Health staff provided these to child care centers in conjunction with an indoor air quality project funded by OSU Aspire.
- **OHA Air Filtration Device (AFD) Program:** 35 AFD’s were sent to in-home consumers served by the Aging and People with Disabilities Program in Deschutes County in advance of the prescribed burns.
- **OREM Air Filtration Device Program:** 28 AFD’s were sent to adult foster home providers in Deschutes County.

Additional Surveillance and Research

DCPH staff monitor local ER and urgent care visits throughout the year. During summer wildfire season, an epidemiologist provides an ongoing report that overlays PM 2.5 from area monitors with respiratory

or asthma-related visits that may be attributed to smoke. The numbers are too low to show statistical significance. Staff also track this how this information is being reported at the state level during wildfire smoke advisory briefings for local impacts.

(C) Initiation of Community Response Plan

It is recognized and acknowledged that 629-048-0180 (3)(f)(C) requires an actual log of dates the community initiated their response plan. So, even though the CRP is truly a year-round effort without a start or stop time that can be logged, the attached spreadsheet summarizes when information was shared with the community related to prescribed fire. In addition, note that prescribed fire activity happening throughout the region is included, as the strategy in the CRP is regional in nature even though the SSRA is specific to the City of Bend. Smoke from other areas not directly adjacent to Bend have the potential impact the Bend SSRA, so burning throughout the region is summarized below.

Of note were four intrusions occurring on 5/15, 5/16, 5/20, and 5/29. These intrusions were associated with burns that were granted clearance by special arrangement with DEQ as part of the West Bend EPA Pilot Project.

(D) Record of Local Meetings Regarding Community Response Plan

Because of the West Bend Pilot Project, many of the partners engaged in this CRP attended multiple weekly meetings from January through June. One CRP-focused meeting was held in Fall to wrap up the year.

November 12th: West Bend Project communications/issues/lessons, cleaner air/cooling centers review, metrics for tracking, year-end reporting, CRP update. Attendees representing: Deschutes County Natural Resources, Deschutes County Public Health, Deschutes National Forest, City of Bend, Nature Conservancy.



What to know about **smoke during **prescribed fire** season**

Prescribed burning can bring smoky air to Central Oregon. The good news is, we know when these burns are happening so we can be prepared. This is the best time to prepare for wildfire season, when the smoke can show up without warning, and stick around for longer.



Why do we care about smoke?

Wildfire smoke affects everyone's health. It is important for all of us to limit our exposure to smoke! Some people may have worse symptoms, including people with health conditions or over age 65.

How to protect your health from smoke during prescribed burns:

- Close your windows! Smoke may be worse overnight
- Talk to your health care team and make a plan if you have health conditions
- Keep indoor air as clean as possible
- Locate cleaner air spaces by calling 211
- The Air Quality Index (AQI) tells us when it is safe to be outdoors. Find the AQI for your area at www.fire.airnow.gov
- Be willing to change your plans to avoid smoke
- Wear an N95 mask for extreme smoke or long periods of time outside

Have questions? Need more info? Learn more at <https://centraloregonfire.org/protect-your-health/> or scan here:



To request this information in an alternate format, please call (458) 292-8347 or email healthservices@deschutes.org.

Appendix 2



Date	Prescribed Fire Activity	Jurisdiction	Unit(s)	Location	Central Oregon Fire Posts	Deschutes National Forest Press Releases	Distribution Lists	Text Alerts	Media	PIO Presence
January										
2-Jan	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Continues Pile Burning West of Bend	Deschutes National Forest	N/A	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 7 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders	0	Yes	No
8-Jan	Sisters Ranger District Conducts Pile Burning One Mile Southwest of Sisters	Deschutes National Forest	N/A	Sisters Ranger District - 1 mile southwest of Sisters along FSR 15/1505	1	1	Prescribed Burn Notifications, Media, Sisters Interests	0	Yes	No
17-Jan	Sisters Ranger District Plans Pile Burning One Mile Southwest of Sisters	Deschutes National Forest	N/A	Sisters Ranger District - 1 mile southwest of Sisters along Edgington Road	1	1	Prescribed Burn Notifications, Media, Sisters Interests	0	Yes	No
February										
March										
April										
1-Apr	Deschutes National Forest Plans Spring Prescribed Burning Season	Deschutes National Forest	N/A	Forest-wide	2	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Elected Officials, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Associations, Bend Resident Organizations, West Bend Special Use Permittees, La Pine Interests, Redmond Interests, Sisters Interests, Sunriver Interests, Service Providers	0	Yes	No
5-Apr	El Bosque Nacional de Deschutes planea la temporada de quemas prescritas de primavera	Deschutes National Forest	N/A	Forest-wide	1	0	N/A	0	No	No
9-Apr	Sisters Ranger District Firefighters Plan 104-Acre Prescribed Burn West of Sisters Tomorrow	Deschutes National Forest	SAFR 249/250	Sisters Ranger District - two miles west of Sisters and north of Highway 242 directly west of the Tollgate community and north of the Crossroads community	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	1	Yes	Yes - Near entrance to Crossroads community
15-Apr	Target Email Notification - West Bend Burning	Deschutes National Forest	West Bend Rx	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - West Bend	0	0	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Associations, Bend Resident Organizations, West Bend Special Use Permittees	0	No	No
22-Apr	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burning Adjacent to Paulina Lake Road	Deschutes National Forest	Odin 12	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 6 miles NE of La Pine	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests	1	Yes	No
22-Apr	Sisters Ranger District Firefighters Plan 31 Acre Prescribed Burn for Tuesday	Deschutes National Forest	SAFR 38	Sisters Ranger District - 3 miles south of Sisters	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Sisters Interests	1	Yes	No
23-Apr	Bend-Fort Rock and Sisters Ranger Districts Continue Prescribed Burning Wednesday	Deschutes National Forest	Odin 15 / Hwy 20 N 87	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 6 miles NE of La Pine / Sisters Ranger District - 4 miles NW of Sisters	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Sisters Interests	2	Yes	No
26-Apr	Interagency Cohort Hosts Scenario-Based Wildland Fire Training for Cooperator Agencies	Deschutes National Forest	West Maintenance - COWS	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 3 miles west of Sunriver	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media	1	No	No
30-Apr	Three and a Half-Acre Live Fire Exercise Planned for Tuesday One Mile West of Bend	Deschutes National Forest	Shevlin 1A - TRES Training Unit	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 1 mile west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend SUP	1	Yes	No
30-Apr	Sisters Ranger District Firefighters Plan 28 Acre Prescribed Burn Wednesday	Deschutes National Forest	SAFR 64	Sisters Ranger District - 3 miles south of Sisters	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	1	Yes	Yes - Along FS Road 16 at burn & Lower Whychus TH
May										
1-May	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Conducts 30 Acre Prescribed Burn Near Aspen Day Use Area	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 3 - PFTC AA	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 6 miles SW of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend SUP, Bend, Sunriver & La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Dillon Falls, Aspen Day Use, Jct. of road to Aspen/Big Eddy
3-May	CANCELLED Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Cancels 30 Acre Prescribed Burn Near Aspen Day Use Area Today Due to Unfavorable Conditions	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 3 - PFTC AA	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 6 miles SW of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend SUP, Bend, Sunriver & La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	No
6-May	Sisters Ranger District Plans National Training Program Prescribed Burn Tuesday If Conditions Favorable	Deschutes National Forest	SAFR 267 - PFTC AA	Sisters Ranger District - 1 mile south of Crossroads	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Sisters Interests, Sisters CWPP	0	No	No
7-May	Due to Unfavorable Conditions Sisters Ranger District Cancels Prescribed Burn Tuesday	Deschutes National Forest	SAFR 267 - PFTC AA	Sisters Ranger District - 1 mile south of Crossroads	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Sisters Interests, Sisters CWPP	0	Yes	No

7-May	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burning Five Miles East of Sunriver Wednesday	Deschutes National Forest	Rocket 7	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 5 miles east of Sunriver	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Sunriver Interests, La Pine Interests, Recreation Stakeholders, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	No
8-May	Prescribed Burn Planned West of Bend Starting Thursday	Deschutes National Forest	Taylor Rx	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - Cross-boundary prescribed burn 1/2 mile west of Shevlin Park	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Shevlin Park, Phils Trailhead, Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Pilot Butte
8-May	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burning One and a Half Miles West of Sunriver Thursday	Deschutes National Forest	West Maintenance 5D	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - one and a half miles west of Sunriver	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Onsite along FS Road 41
12-May	Prescribed Burning Planned Monday Two and a Half Miles South of Sisters and Five Miles East of Sunriver	Deschutes National Forest	Rocket Unit 5 & SAFR Unit 15	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 10 miles south of Bend & 5 miles east of Sunriver / Sisters Ranger District - 2.5 miles south of Sisters	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	2	Yes	Yes - Metolius Basin
13-May	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burn Near Cascade Lakes Welcome Station on Tuesday	Deschutes National Forest	Welcome Station 6A & 8	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 1 mile west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Phil's Trailhead, On-Scene, Pilot Butte
13-May	Sisters and Crescent Ranger Districts Plan Prescribed Burning Tuesday	Deschutes National Forest	MET-WUI 17 & 5 Mile Unit 4	Sisters Ranger District - 1/2 mile west of Camp Sherman / Crescent Ranger District - 7 miles south of Crescent	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests	2	Yes	Yes - Metolius Basin
14-May	Prescribed Burning Continues Wednesday West of Bend and in Metolius Basin	Deschutes National Forest	Welcome Station 6/7 & MET-WUI 28	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 1 mile west of Bend / Sisters Ranger District - west of FS Road 14	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	2	Yes	Yes - Metolius Basin, Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Phil's Trailhead, Pilot Butte, Sunriver
17-May	Prescribed Burning Slated to Continue One Mile West of Bend on Monday	Deschutes National Forest	Tiddlywinks 8/9	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 1 mile west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Tyler's Traverse Trailhead, Pilot Butte
18-May	Firefighters Continue Prescribed Burning in the Metolius Basin on Monday	Deschutes National Forest	MET-WUI 24	Sisters Ranger District - Metolius Basin, east side of FS Road 14	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	1	Yes	Yes - Camp Sherman Store in Metolius Basin
20-May	Prescribed Burning Planned for Tuesday Five Miles East of Sunriver and Seven Miles South of Crescent	Deschutes National Forest	Rocket 9,10,11,12 & Five Mile Unit 14	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 10 miles south of Bend & 5 miles east of Sunriver / Crescent Ranger District - 7 miles south of Crescent	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	2	Yes	No
22-May	Prescribed Burning Planned Thursday East of Sunriver and South of Crescent	Deschutes National Forest	Klone 1 & Sting 19/20	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 15 miles south of Bend & 2 miles east of Sunriver / Crescent Ranger District - 9 miles south of Crescent	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	2	Yes	No
27-May	Sisters Ranger District Plans Prescribed Burn Adjacent to East Side of Hwy 20 on Wednesday	Deschutes National Forest	Hwy 20/IFR 62,63,80	Sisters Ranger District - 4 miles NW of Sisters	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation, Sisters Interests, Sisters Fuels List	1	Yes	No
27-May	Prescribed Burn Planned Wednesday Four Miles SW of Bend Adjacent to Forest Service Road 41	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 2A,2B, 3A, 3B	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 4 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Yes - Cascade Lakes Welcome Station, Jct. of Cascade Lakes Hwy & FSR 41, Pilot Butte, Sunriver/La Pine
30-May	Prescribed Burning Slated to Continue Friday Four Miles SW of Bend Adjacent to Forest Service Road 41	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 1	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 4 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	0	Yes	Cancelled

	31-May	Prescribed Burn Planned Today Four Miles SW of Bend Cancelled	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 1	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 4 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	2	Yes	Cancelled
June											
	11-Jun	113-Acre Prescribed Burn Four Miles SW of Bend Adjacent to Forest Service Road 41 Planned for Thursday	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 1	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 4 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	0	Yes	Cancelled
	13-Jun	CANCELLED Due to Unfavorable Conditions today's 113-Acre Prescribed Burn Four Miles SW of Bend Adjacent to Forest Service Road 41 is Cancelled	Deschutes National Forest	Big Eddy 1	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - 4 miles west of Bend	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, La Pine Interests, Sunriver Interests, Bend Neighborhood Districts, Bend Resident Orgs, West Bend Special Uses, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	1	Yes	Cancelled
July											
August											
September											
October											
	29-Oct	Deschutes National Forest Firefighters Begin Pile Burning Season	Deschutes National Forest	General	Bend-Fort Rock, Crescent, Sisters Ranger Districts	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Associations, La Pine Interests, Redmond Interests, Sisters Interests, Sunriver Interests, & Bend, Sunriver, La Pine CWPPs	0	Yes	No
November											
	12-Nov	Pile Burning Planned This Week West of Phils Trailhead	Deschutes National Forest	Euro 306, 307 / Baloo 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 34, 35, 42, 101, 109	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - west of Phil's Trailhead & south of Skyliners Road; Wanoga Butte; Bearwallow Butte	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Associations, Bend Resident Orgs & Bend, CWPP	0	Yes	No
	21-Nov	Firefighters Continue Pile Burning West of Phil's Trailhead Thursday	Deschutes National Forest	Euro 45, 46, 52, 53, 55, 56	Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District - west of Phil's Trailhead & south of Skyliners Road	1	1	Prescribed Burning Notifications, Media, Recreation Stakeholders, Bend Neighborhood Associations, Bend Resident Orgs & Bend, CWPP	0	Yes	No
December											
Year End Total											
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