

Controlled burn scheduled today near Highway 20, Sisters

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SISTERS, Ore. — Deschutes National Forest fuel specialists, in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Forestry, are planning a 37-acre controlled burn near Sisters today. The burn will be located approximately six miles northwest of Sisters near the junction of Highway 20 and Indian Ford Road.

This project is adjacent to the 100-acre underburn that occurred last week.

Flaggers and a pilot car will be in place in case smoke should impact Highway 20 at any time.

All controlled burns are weather-dependent and completed in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Forestry smoke management plan. Fire specialists will postpone burning if winds are not forecasted to disperse smoke to less-populated areas.

Smoke might settle with cooler air in evening and morning hours, even with favorable winds, so nearby residents along Indian Ford Creek should close windows and doors to keep smoke out of structures.

The burn may be postponed to a later date if weather conditions are unfavorable.

For more information, contact Sisters Ranger District at (541) 549-7700.

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