

CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

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MENDOCINO UNIT

Burning Scheduled for Ukiah Area

Mendocino County, CA –The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Mendocino Unit will be conducting a large broadcast burn, on the west side of the Ukiah Valley, this Thursday, March 5th and Friday, March 6th, 2020.

This prescribed burn will begin at approximately 10 a.m. and conclude at approximately 5 p.m. each day. Smoke, flames, and aircraft will be visible.

The CAL FIRE Priority Ukiah Fuels Reduction Project is designed to increase public safety by thinning impacted vegetation. The thinning will assist in reducing the number of fire starts and decrease the size and intensity of fires. Due to the recent history of large destructive fires in our county, and the buildup of vegetation, this project is of the utmost importance.

This burn will be conducted under very tight restrictions for the personal safety of firefighters and area residents. If there are any indications that the burn cannot be conducted in a safe manner, such as high winds or local fire activity, the burn will be cancelled. CAL FIRE reminds all residents that their safety is of utmost concern.

For prescribed burning notifications, residents are encouraged to follow the CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit on Twitter: https://twitter.com/CALFIRE_MEU and on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/CALFIREMEU/>.

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