

National Fire Plan

Rapid River Prescribed Burn in Payette National Forest Idaho 2002



The New Meadows Ranger District of the Payette National Forest completed ignition of the 2,000-acre Rapid River prescribed burn on September 15, 2002 with the support of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. The prescribed burn accomplished all goals; reducing natural fuels accumulations, thereby decreasing the risk of a large wildland fire. The mosaic of burned and unburned areas will improve big game habitat as it has created the necessary forage and hiding cover required by them. The project encompasses the area between Frypan Creek, Cabin Creek, and Northstar Creek, which is located approximately 16 air miles southwest of Riggins and 14 air miles northwest of New Meadows in Idaho.



Rapid River burn ignition that took place on Saturday, September 14