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Jackson Demonstration State Forest

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Mendocino Unit

Jackson Demonstration State Forest Educational Burn

Mendocino County, CA– The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Mendocino Unit will be conducting an educational burn on Jackson Demonstration State Forest. This educational burn will treat approximately 280-acres of timber understory as part of the multi-year forest-wide <u>Greenhouse Gas Fire Fuels Mitigation Project</u>.

Jackson Demonstration State Forest is located on Highway 20 between the towns of Willits and Fort Bragg. Burning will begin on Monday, September 23rd, 2024, and continue for approximately 3 to 4 weeks, as favorable conditions allow for safe and effective operations.

This project adds to significant work underway throughout the state and brings California one step closer towards meeting state fuels reduction goals directed by the California Fire Plan and the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan. To track the progress being made, both in your community and throughout California, visit the CAL FIRE fuels reduction dashboard at https://www.fire.ca.gov/what-we-do/natural-resource-management/fuels-reduction.

This project burn will be conducted under strictly controlled weather and fuel conditions. Smoke and aircraft may be visible in the area.