

Umpqua Prescribed Fire Training Exchange

Join us this fall in southwest Oregon's Umpqua Basin to learn about using prescribed fire to manage, restore, and maintain oak woodlands and other ecosystems.

SEPTEMBER 26TH - OCTOBER 6TH, 2017
ROSEBURG, OREGON

We invite professional wildland firefighters and prescribed fire practitioners, fire and resource managers, ecologists, biologists, conservationists, students and faculty, researchers and scientists from federal, state, tribal, non-governmental and private organizations to be part of our burn team.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2017

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September 26 to October 6, 2017 | Roseburg, Oregon

Target Audience

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Course Objectives

A partnership of several agencies and organizations in southwest Oregon's Umpqua Basin will host a Prescribed Fire Training Exchange (TREX) in the fall of 2017. The intent of this training is to provide opportunities for firefighters, scientists, and managers to:

- Work and train together to build experience in prescribed fire practices and effects.
- Apply prescribed fire as a management tool in white oak woodland, savannah, and other ecosystems.
- Learn about different management objectives and social challenges of prescribed fire use around communities.
- Demonstrate competencies and potentially receive evaluations in Position Task Books for the positions of RXB2, ENGB, FIRB, FFT1 and FEMO.



Course Format

The training will be organized as an incident, using the Incident Command System and will provide a variety of training opportunities as described in the list below (training opportunities may vary due to weather, wildfires and other events out of our control):

Prescribed Fire Operations. Participants serve in qualified and trainee firefighting positions on a burn team and assist with preparing, briefing, igniting, holding, mopping-up, and patrolling on numerous controlled burns.

Prescribed Fire Ecology. The training will include field trips to areas burned in recent wildfires or fuel treatment projects, as well as presentations from scientists, land managers, and practitioners.



Other Learning Opportunities. Participants will have opportunities to learn other skills as well, such as pre- and post-fire effects monitoring, fireline leadership, and interviewing with local media.

Location. The work will primarily take place in the Umpqua Basin in southwest Oregon in Oak woodlands, savannahs, and conifer forests.

Participant Requirements

- All participants' qualifications must be current and meet their agency's requirements. At a minimum, everyone must have completed NWCG courses S-130 and S-190, as well as FEMA IS-700A and ICS-100. Self-study materials for these courses are available to participants who need them.
- Participants must complete an arduous pack test before the start of the event.
- All participants must have insurance (e.g., personal or employer provided health insurance, workers' comp, or travel insurance) to cover any injury they may sustain during the training exchange.
- Participants should come with all appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), including fireline-approved boots, a New Generation Fire Shelter, headlamp, hardhat, Nomex clothing, all leather gloves, eye protection, and canteens. If you do not have proper PPE, please let us know.
- Each participant is responsible for a \$300 non-refundable registration fee. Instructions on how to pay the registration fee will be provided when you are notified that you have been selected to attend.
- Participants are responsible for their own travel to and from Roseburg, Oregon. During the training meals and camp facilities will be provided.



Application

If you are interested in learning more about this training, please contact Jake Winn jwinn@blm.gov. To apply, submit the form (p. 4) to blm_or_umpqua_trex@blm.gov by June 30, 2017. Space is limited, so we recommend that you submit your application as early as possible. Instructions on registering and paying the fee of \$300 will be provided once selections have been made.

