

VALID UNTIL:

Checklist For Review of Prescribed Fire Plans

INSTRUCTIONS: This checklist is to be completed by the reviewer. Check each item found to be satisfactory. If an element is not adequately addressed, recommendations should be added immediately below that item, indicating what is required to adequately address the element.

The Refuge Manager who approves the burn plan is responsible for ensuring that all recommendations are completed prior to implementation of the burn. This document should be permanently attached to and considered an integral component of the approved plan

Unit: _____

Refuge:

Reviewer/Title: _____

Date:

Element:

- _____ 1. Vicinity and unit maps clearly define project.
- _____ 2. Primary resource objectives for the unit, the objectives of the fire, and the acceptable range of results are appropriate.
- _____ 3. Fuel Model(s) accurately reflect the vegetative type(s) that are present.
- _____ 4. Complexity Analysis completed.
- _____ 5. Plan adequately addresses site preparation requirements.
- _____ 6. Weather information for all phases of the project and the means of obtaining it are listed.
- _____ 7. Acceptable range of values is reasonable and plan includes a prediction of expected fire behavior.
- _____ 8. Cumulative effects of weather and drought on fire behavior are considered.
- _____ 9. Prescribed Fire Organization adequately provides for anticipated needs.
- _____ 10. Smoke management issues and mitigation needs adequately addressed.
- _____ 11. Pre-burn coordination and contacts are listed.
- _____ 12. Crew Briefing Outline attached.

- _____ 13. Ignition plan adequately addresses methods and sequence. Ignition sequencing map attached. A test fire is planned.
- _____ 14. Safety issues and escape routes and safety zones are identified.
- _____ 15. Go-No-Go Checklist attached.
- _____ 16. Critical control problems identified and mitigated.
- _____ 17. Water resupply needs are covered.
- _____ 18. An adequate contingency plan in an event of an escaped fire is included.
- _____ 19. Mop up and rehabilitation standards are established.
- _____ 20. Medical and Communications plan completed and attached?

REMARKS:

Line officers and technical review specialist are tasked with ensuring quality reviews are completed before any burn can be implemented. Each burn plan must be re-certified and approved by the manager or line officer each year a prescribed burn is scheduled to be completed until the burn plan expires. This will be done to ensure the conditions described in the unit are accurate and have not changed over the course of a year.

One other change to the prescribed burn plan implementation process is we will no longer require the Delegation of Authority section to be completed as long as the Burn Boss is a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service employee.

If the Burn Boss is **NOT** a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service employee this section must be completed prior to implementing the burn.

This review document and the original review document completed by the zone FMO should be given full consideration by the line officer and burn boss prior to burn implementation. These documents should be permanently attached and considered an integral component of the approved plan. If you have questions or comments concerning this review process, please contact me at _____.

Once reviewed and approved by the Project Leader or Refuge Manager, this plan will be valid until _____ provided a re-review is completed by the line officer or manager each year a prescribed burn is scheduled to be completed until the plan expires.

Recommended for Approval: _____ **Date**

Title:

Not Recommended for Approval: _____ **Date**