



Community Protection Program 2014 Prescribed Fire Grant Application

Scope of Project: Reduce the hazard of high-risk fuels on private lands through the use of prescribed burning. Treatment area will be within **10 miles** of a National Forest boundary. The grant's goal is to protect high-risk communities and associated forest resources by reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire on private and public lands. Priority will be given to projects that meet both criteria.

Grant recipients will be reimbursed actual costs associated with conducting the prescribed burn. The maximum reimbursement rate will not exceed \$30 per acre. Upon completion of the prescribed burn, the landowner will provide an invoice indicating work performed to the Texas A&M Forest Service. After inspection by TFS personnel, the landowner will be reimbursed up to \$30 per acre.

The complete application package must be received by the Texas A&M Forest Service by November 30, 2013 in order to be considered for funding. Please return application by mail to:

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Questions: wmccrady@tfs.tamu.edu or (936)689-9393.

Applications Must Include:

- Comprehensive Burn Plan
- Location Map displaying proximity of burn unit to national forest
- Map displaying boundary and acreage of burn unit
- Lat/Long of Burn Unit (Degrees/Minutes/Seconds)
- County and physical address of burn unit location
- Landowner information & signature
- Contractor information & signature

Do's and Don'ts:

- Multiple applications may be submitted per individual, but grant is competitive and selection will be based on the goal of reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire near communities. (All applications will receive a Selection Letter or Letter of Regret by mail).
- Deadline for applications is firm; selection process will begin immediately after this date to expedite encumbering of grant funds and approvals to conduct burns.
- Landowner's name on application, grant agreement, and invoice must match completely.
- Grant is to be used only for the reimbursement of costs to landowners for private contractor to conduct a prescribed burn (max. \$30 per acre).
- Grant funds do not apply and will not be provided to reimburse charges for application or creation of burn plans by a private contractor.

If you are selected:

- Grant agreements must be signed by landowner and approved by Texas A&M Forest Service before prescribed burn can take place.
- TFS staff member will make a short site documentation visit and take pre-burn photo of vegetation condition.
- Landowner and contractor must receive "OK to Burn Letter" from Texas A&M Forest Service as proof of grant funding approval before burning.
- Contractor should contact Texas A&M Forest Service at least 24 hrs. prior to burn to verify all paperwork has been signed.
- Burn inspection will be conducted by Texas A&M Forest Service staff following prescribe burn to finalize reimbursement payment.

Landowner Information

Name

Mailing Address

City, State

Zip Code

Phone

Email

Signature

Date

Contractor Information

Name

Mailing Address

City, State

Zip Code

Phone

Email

Signature

Date

Burn Unit Location:

Latitude: _____ ex. (30° 14' 05")

Longitude: _____ ex. (95° 29' 01")

County: _____.

Address: _____.

City: _____ Zip Code: _____.

Please attach:

Written burn plan

Property location map

Burn unit boundary map