Prescribed Burning for Fun and Profit

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Crew size and Qualifications

- Two members must have basic firefighter certification for Pheasants Forever
- Many hands make light work
- Instructions must be clear and followed
- Always follow plan and go-no go checklist
- Annual refresher
- Daily assignments

Simple is good





The Burn Boss

- > Runs Crew
- > Fields calls
- Writes plans, communicates with landowners
- Sets up and schedules crew
- Notifies local authorities the day of burn
- Works with NRCS, FSA, DNR, others to meet all requirements needed





Equipment

- Pick up with water
- > ATV or ORV with water
- > Radios
- Brooms
- Backpack sprayers
- Nurse tank/ extra water
- Drip torches- at least 2



Where does work come from?

- > FSA
- Habitat cooperators
- County Conservationist
- > DNR
- Neighbors
- > The Street!









Billing

- By the acre
- By the job
- Extras- fire breaks, plan, permits
- One person should do the bids
- One person should do bills



TNC work crew

- Minimum required: basic firefighter
- > Annual refresher
- > Pack test or run

Prairie Enthusiasts

- Current-experience only
- Will have formal policy by 2014
- Will require some nonNWCG training
- Will not have physical requirements



Hints

- > Start small
- Consult PF burn manual
- Know what the customer expects
- Get your first plan approved before doing more
- Volunteer on another crew to gain experience
- Be SAFE and have fun