

What is a Prescribed Burn Association?



A Prescribed Burn Association is a group of landowners and other interested citizens that form a partnership to conduct prescribed burns. Association members pool their knowledge, man-power, and equipment to help other people in their association conduct prescribed burns. Burn associations are designed to breakdown or reduce the barriers that often prevent landowners from utilizing prescribed fire as a management tool.

Common barriers include:

- Liability associated with the use of fire;
- Lack of training and experience;
- Not enough help; and
- Lack of prescribed burning equipment.

Landowners still need to have insurance for liability, but risk is managed by having the proper training, experienced help, and proper equipment provided by the association.

New Mexico Prescribed Fire Council

- ✓ State Wide and National Perspective

Prescribed Burn Associations

- ✓ Local to Specific Geographic Area

“Prescribed burning is a key land management tool that is used to influence vegetative communities. Prescribed fire can enhance livestock forage quality, control invasive species, improve wildlife habitat, improve plant vigor, and reduce fuel loads.”

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