

Hoosier Rx Fire Timelines and Prep Standards

Timelines

No burning will occur during the pupping season June 1 – July 31.

Trees over 3 inches DBH may not be felled between April 15 and September 15.

Avoid mowing between April 15 – July 1.

Prep

- ☐ Avoid placing fire lines mid-slope.
- ☐ Avoid placing fire lines through Non-Native Invasive Species populations.
- ☐ Clean equipment when moving from one burn block to another.
- ☐ Whenever possible masticated line should be used instead of mowed line
- ☐ Avoid riparian areas with equipment
- ☐ Lines should be ATV/UTV accessible. Areas where ATV/UTV access is restricted should be marked with white flagging across the line.
- ☐ In timber litter fuels all lines should be at least 6 feet wide down to non-combustible surface or natural barrier.
- ☐ All whips, low hanging branches, trip and tire hazards should be removed from the line.
- ☐ In grass/shrub fuels all lines should be mowed at least 10 feet wide and all mow lines should also be blown or raked.
- ☐ All jackpots within ½ chain of the line should be removed, raked around or dispersed.
- ☐ All snags within 2 chains in the black should be addressed by either felling or blowing out to 6 feet around the base. All snags within 1 chain on the green side should be felled.
- ☐ All high values at risk such as: Pipe line markers, culverts, wooden/plastic structures, carsonite survey markers, power poles, electrical boxes, etc should be cleared with a 6-foot buffer.
- ☐ All large debris and trash should be removed from the burn unit or should be cleared with a 6-foot buffer.
- ☐ A 200-foot protection buffer will be established with a line 6 feet wide around caves within the burn unit.
- ☐ Heritage staff will flag buffers with Orange/Silver striped flagging around significant heritage sites, protection lines will meet standards listed above.