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6.5 Burn Units and Fire Lines

Addition:

The ignition of simultaneous burn units will not be allowed unless resources are sufficient for control on the entire area. This does not preclude burning multiple units on the same day as long as the complexity analysis and prescription allow for multiple units.

6.6 Burn Unit Prescriptions

Addition:

All new and existing prescriptions must be reviewed and approved by the Division's Ecological Burn Coordinator (EBC) prior to implementing the prescription. Existing prescriptions must be reviewed and approved by the Division's EBC. The review of prescriptions will have three potential outcomes as determined by the Ecological Burn Coordinator.

- Approve as written.
- Approve with minor modifications (changes can be made on and initialed on existing prescription).
- Reject, requires rewrite and new approvals.

Addition:

All prescriptions will contain a complexity analysis as described in the National Wildfire Coordinating Group's complexity guide (NFES #2474 or its replacement). Potential fires that receive a high complexity rating will be performed only with outside agency coordination and with personnel experienced on similar complexity fires. The complexity analysis may cover the entire prescription area or be specific to individual burn units. The EBC will determine during day of burn notifications whether the complexity analysis remains appropriate.

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6.8 Pre-Burn Notifications and Checklists

Addition:

Day of burn notifications must be approved by the Division's Ecological Burn Coordinator for technical aspects before notifications are sent to district superintendents and the Chief of Operations. Notifications may occur in person, by telephone, or by email, but approval must be received prior to ignition. In the absence of the availability of the EBC, technical approval can be performed by a member of the Division's Fire Management Team as long as the burn boss and the approver are not the same person.

Addition:

The Division will develop an internet based communication system to augment existing notifications.