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SUBJECT: PER – PRESCRIBED BURN TRAINING

**ACTION DUE BY: NOVEMBER 5, 2013**

PURPOSE. To provide information on prescribed burn training.

EXPIRATION DATE. September 30, 2015

The Prescribed Burn training will be held November 13-14, 2013, at the Tallgrass Prairie Center, University of Northern Iowa, 2412 West 27<sup>th</sup> Street, in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The Prescribed Burn class will begin Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2013.

A block of rooms have been reserved under NRCS at the AmericInn, 5818 Nordic Drive, in Cedar Falls. The federal government room rate is \$83.00 plus tax/night. Participants requiring overnight accommodations should call the hotel at (319) 277-6166 to reserve a room by **November 5**. Travel for federal employees will be paid out of the NRCS State Training budget. Participants should work with their supervisor and area office on a travel authorization. State or district employees should work with their sponsors to arrange for travel expenses.

**Lunch will be catered into the meeting facility each day at a cost of \$7.00 since there are no food establishments or convenience stores near the training location. Participants may bring their own lunch. If you choose to bring your own lunch contact Mary at (319) 273-3836 so adjustments can be made for catering.**

Participants enrolled are listed on the attached page. Participants should be prepared to work outside regardless of weather conditions. Bring clothing suitable for inclement weather during field work, including rainwear, boots, hats, thermal coats, and gloves, etc.

People requiring accommodations, including sign language interpreters, should contact Joe Thompson, at (515) 323-2631, or [joseph.thompson@ia.usda.gov](mailto:joseph.thompson@ia.usda.gov) by **November 5, 2013**.

Questions about the training may be directed to Marty Adkins, State Resource Conservationist, or Barbara Stewart, State Agronomist, at (515) 284-4370.

/s/Larry Beeler, Acting  
Jay T. Mar  
State Conservationist

Attachments

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## PRESCRIBED BURN TRAINING

### Participant List

Last Name	First Name	Title	Area Office	Location
Adams	Doug	SCT	2	Humboldt
Ansel	Jeremy	SCT	3	Tama
Asche *	Adam	SC	2	Allison
Geib	Darrell	RC	4	Harlan
Guffey	Dora	RC	2	Nevada
Kliver	Lynn	SCT	2	Thompson
Leavenworth	Helen	SC	2	Jefferson
Mahoney	Michael	SCT	1	Esterville
Peek	Jody	SC	4	Creston
Perdew	Todd	SCT	4	Mt Ayr
Porter	Lance	SC	4	Winterset
Spire	Seth	SC	4	Mt Ayr
Tappan *	James	SC	3	Decorah
Thole	Michelle	SC	5	Sigourney
Wilson	Robyn	SC	1	Carroll

\*Not approved for travel

### State or Partner

Last Name	First Name	
Eads	Amy	District
Elliot	Michelle	District
Potts	Jeff	PF

State or Partner employee need to check w/employee on approval for travel expenses if needed.

# **Introduction to Prescribed Burning**

Workshop for NRCS Employees  
November 13-14, 2013

**Tallgrass Prairie Center**  
University of Northern Iowa  
2412 West 27<sup>th</sup> St.  
Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614-0294

## Day 1

9:15 a.m.	Check in- Coffee, juice and rolls	
9:30 a.m.	Introduction: NRCS Standards and Perspective	NRCS staff
9:45 a.m.	Fire History and Ecology and Prescribed Fire	Smith
10:45 a.m.	Break	
11:00 a.m.	Vegetation Response to Fire	Williams
Noon	Lunch (catered by UNI)	
12:45 p.m.	Fire Effects: Wildlife and Soils	Houseal
1:30 p.m.	Prescribed Fire in Grasslands video	
2:00 p.m.	Break	
2:15 p.m.	Field Visit to Campus Prairie and CRP Planting: Spring Burned and Unburned Areas, Comparison of Spring Burned and Mowed Areas	Staff
4:00 p.m.	Dismissal	

## Day 2

8:00 a.m.	Coffee, Juice and Rolls	
8:15 a.m.	Components of a Burn Plan	Staff
9:00 a.m.	Introduction to Prescribed Fire Equipment	Williams
9:45 a.m.	Break	
10:00 a.m.	Field Trip to Prairie/Wetland (modified WRP Project) Designing and Implementing Fire Management	Staff
12:15 p.m.	Lunch (catered by UNI)	
1:00 p.m.	Habitat Improvement for Mature Grasslands	Williams
1:30 p.m.	Public Perception of Fire	Staff
2:15 p.m.	Wrap-up	Staff
3:00 p.m.	Dismissal	