

# Prescribed Fire Newsletter



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**Welcome to the Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team (TFFT) Prescribed Fire Program Newsletter.** We are happy to have you here! During the Tahoe Basin's prescribed fire season, TFFT will share project updates, education, and resources to help you stay informed. As always, operations may shift due to weather and site conditions.

## Program Updates

- **3/2 - 3/6, California State Parks** - A machine pile will be burned at Sugar Pine Point State Park this week along HWY 89 and South Fire Road
- **3/3 - 3/6, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District** - 4 acres of pile burning along Daggett Summit for Upper Kingsbury Forest Service Urban Lots
- **3/3 - 3/6, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District** - 5 acres of pile burning along Kingsbury Grade for Kingsbury/NV Energy Forest Service project
- **Winter 2026, California Tahoe Conservancy** - Carnelian Canyon, Dollar SW, and Tahoe Pines pile burning projects are set to begin in Winter 2026

# *Education Corner*

## The Role of Fire in Keeping Watersheds Healthy

By: Annabelle Monti

Healthy forests mean healthy watersheds. Prescribed fire reduces dense vegetation that intercepts rainfall and consumes water resources, allowing more moisture to reach the soil and recharge streams. It also decreases the risk of high-intensity wildfires that can bake soils, cause erosion, and send sediment into Lake Tahoe.

By restoring natural fire cycles, prescribed fire supports the long-term stability of the Basin's watersheds. It's a tool to protect water quality, moderate run off, and sustain the ecosystems that depend on clean, clear water.

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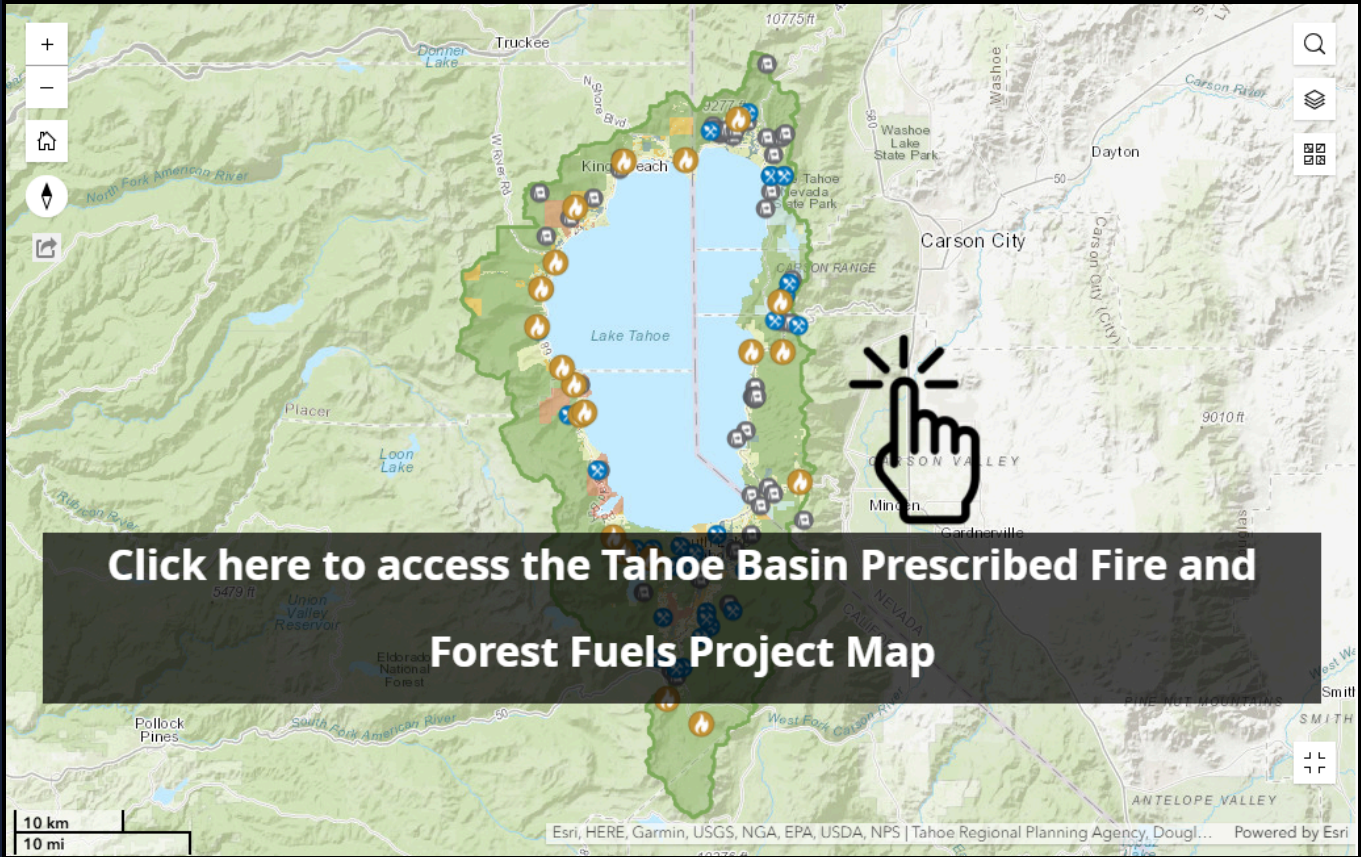
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