

NATIONAL INTERAGENCY FIRE CENTER

FIRE ECOLOGY- NATURAL ROLE 1

HERE'S A HOT TOPIC ABOUT OUR WILDLANDS AND LIVING WITH THE NATURAL ROLE OF FIRE.

MANY WILDLAND FIRES FULFILL THEIR NATURAL ROLE: REDUCING OLD FUEL, STIMULATING NEW PLANT GROWTH, AND CREATING HEALTHY HABITATS FOR WILDLIFE. FIRE IS A DANGEROUS AND POWERFUL FORCE. BUT IN THE FORESTS AND RANGELANDS IT'S A NATURAL AND ONE THAT SHAPES OUR ECOSYSTEMS AND DESERVES OUR RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING AND ATTENTION. FIRE MANAGERS BATTLE FIRES WHEN THEY BURN DESTRUCTIVELY AND THREATEN HOMES AND COMMUNITIES. LEARN ABOUT THE ROLE OF FIRE AND ITS NATURAL CYCLE IN YOUR REGION.

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