

NATIONAL INTERAGENCY FIRE CENTER

WILDLAND FIRE MGT. 6

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

AS FIREFIGHTERS GET WILDLAND FIRES UNDER CONTROL, ANOTHER GROUP OF QUIET HEROES MOVE INTO THE AREA TO START THE HEALING. AFTER A WILDLAND FIRE, THE LAND MAY NEED TO BE STABILIZED TO PREVENT LOSS OF TOPSOIL THROUGH EROSION AND PREVENT THE MOVEMENT OF DIRT INTO RIVERS AND STREAMS. LAND MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS AND VOLUNTEERS JUMP START THE RENEWAL OF PLANT LIFE THROUGH SEEDING AND PLANTING WITH ANNUALS, TREES AND NATIVE SPECIES THAT HELP RETAIN SOILS AND FIGHT INVASIVE WEEDS. IT'S A LONG-TERM PROCESS THAT COMES ALIVE AS THE FIRES DIE DOWN.

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