

Presentation to the Water and Natural Resources Committee-4th meeting

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Topic: Prescribed Burns: Opportunities, Practices and Precautions

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1. Authorities which allow Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) work with Fuels reduction:

a. The Partners for Fish and Wildlife Act: Public Law 109-294 Oct.3, 2006

2. What we are dealing with:

a. Thinned vs not thinned (photo Intertribal Timber Council)

b. Thinned vs not thinned (photo USFWS)

3. What we should have:

a. Grasslands cleared (photo USFWS)

b. Timber stand thinned (photo USFWS)

4. How we get there:

a. Sites after piles are burned (photo USFWS)

b. Rx fire after thinning (photo Forest Stewards Guild)

5. Authorities which allow Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) work with Fuels reduction:

a. Prescribed Fire Policy for Non-Service Lands (Manual Chapter 645 FW

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