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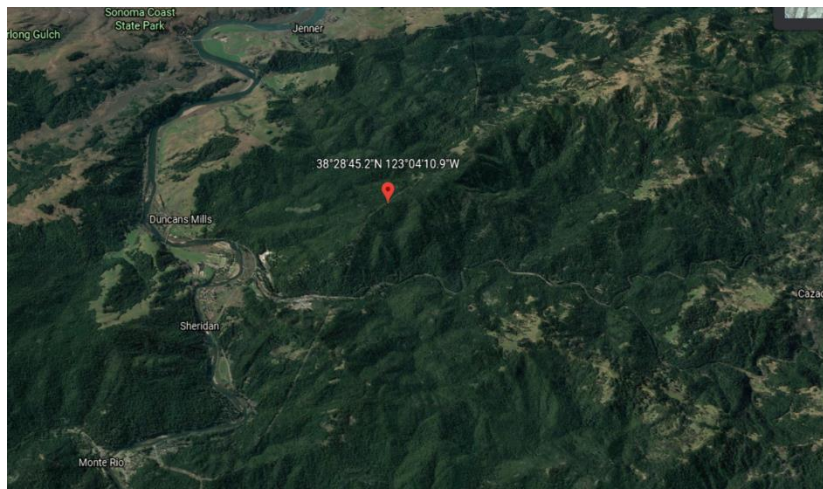
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MAGIC PRESCRIBED BURN

St Helena – CAL FIRE Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit with the assistance from our partners at The Wildlands Conservancy and Monte Rio Fire Protection District, will be conducting a prescribed burn starting October 18, 2021, thru October 19, 2021. The burn will be located near an unnamed ridge west of Magic Mountain Road and south of Kidd Creek in Sonoma County, CA. This burn will take place along a ridge where CAL FIRE has conducted prescribed burning since 2018 to maintain a strategic shaded fuel break to stop or slow an approaching wildfire and reestablish wildfire as a natural disturbance regime. The prescribed burn is planned for up to 40 acres of State Responsibility Area (SRA) as part of forest understory vegetation management. Burning is expected to start at 7:00 am each day and be completed by 9:00 pm each night. Due to the elevation and location, smoke will be visible from much of Sonoma County. The burn and smoke should be visible from the Pole Mtn lookout camera on the Alertwildfire.org site <http://www.alertwildfire.org/northbay/?camera=Axis-PoleMt>.

Prescribed burns are carefully planned and must meet strict criteria for ecological benefit, weather parameters, smoke management, and fire safety guidelines. (The planned operation is subject to last-minute changes due to those considerations.) When all conditions are met, trained wildland firefighters conduct the burn while monitoring the set criteria, fire behavior, and designated fire control lines. The prescribed burn will comply with requirements of the Northern Sonoma County Air Pollution Control District.



To learn more about prescribed fire and its benefits visit:
<https://www.readyforwildfire.org/more/prescribed-fires/>

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