



Steamboat Springs
Fire Rescue

City of
Steamboat Springs



Emerald Slash Pile Prescribed Burn On Horizon

Public Should Expect to See Smoke From Emerald Mountain

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-December 19, 2017-The Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue (SSFR) anticipates favorable conditions this week which will allow a second attempt to burn the remaining slash piles on Emerald Mountain as early as tomorrow late morning, weather and conditions permitting.

“It’s a matter of waiting on the right conditions,” said Fire Chief Mel Stewart. “Right now, the weather is lining up nicely and I wanted to inform the public in case we move forward with the prescribed burn tomorrow.”

The department had expected to conduct the burn in early November; however, conditions changed and the decision was made to wait. Based on the current forecast, the public should expect to see smoke tomorrow morning through Thursday.

The burn process under the supervision of SSFR will take place in the Stairway to Heaven trail area. The public is asked to avoid this area during the burn operation. Routt County Dispatch has been made aware of the operation.

The upcoming prescribed burn follows an earlier effort that occurred in the same area in spring. Once finished, this will complete the disposal of remaining slash taken from Emerald Mountain during tree removal project.

If the public has additional questions or needs more information on the pending Emerald prescribed burn, please contact Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue at (970) 879-7170 between 8am-5pm.

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Emerald Mountain prescribed burn from spring 2017 conducted by Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue.