

BURNING: Forest is seeing effects of drought

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Kassidy Kern told *The Nugget* that fire managers touched off a test burn last week and had to douse it because dry conditions were creating too much intensity.

“We were seeing much more active fire behavior than we wanted,” she said.

So fire managers “are just going to look for windows” when conditions will allow them to burn safely and effectively, Kern said.

The area has seen some moisture, and Kern noted that “fuel moisture in one unit may be wildly different than in another unit.”

Most of the burning activity planned for the Deschutes National Forest in 2015-16 is south of Bend, but there are several areas to the west of



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Fire managers will have to look for burning windows under drought conditions that encourage active fire behavior.

Sisters between highways 20 and 242 that are scheduled for prescribed burning when conditions allow for it.

KIWANIS: Group is active in Sisters community

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to Sisters organizations including Sisters Park & Recreation District, Family Access Network, Outlaw Sports, Little League, Boy Scouts and many others.

- Kiwanis financially supported a dental van that visits Sisters once per month to provide free dental services.
- In June, Kiwanis awarded scholarships to seven Sisters High School seniors.
- Kiwanis awarded scholarships to three adults to support their career change. This scholarship, known as the Career Opportunity Fund, is continuously available to local adults.
- Kiwanis provided many volunteers who donated

time and energy to projects at A Home To Share, Ronald McDonald House, the Fir Street Park pavilion, Highway 20 cleaning and many more.

To support these contributions to the Sisters community, Kiwanis operates fundraisers such as the Buckaroo Breakfast, the Black Butte Challenge Race, the Christmas See’s Candy Sale and the Memorial Day Antique Sale.

If your group or organization is seeking a speaker, Kiwanis can present a 20-30 minute talk on its Food Bank operation and other community projects.

For more information visit www.SistersKiwanis.Org, email info@sisterskiwanis.org or call 541-588-6441.

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