



NEWS RELEASE

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Prescribed burning aids producers in land management

ARDMORE, Okla. — Prescribed burning is an effective technique in land resource management, but it must be used in a safe and proper manner.

The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation will host a two-day Prescribed Burning Workshop to discuss the benefits and proper use of prescribed burning for land management to landowners. This workshop, which is open to the public, will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 15, and Thursday, Jan. 16, at the Noble Foundation Oswalt Road Ranch, west of Marietta, Okla.

“Most landowners would love to be able to control any of Mother Nature’s natural processes – especially rain,” said Russell Stevens, wildlife and fisheries consultant. “One process that can be controlled is fire. That resource is powerful, especially when used correctly.”

This workshop will help landowners and others who are interested learn the steps of how to successfully implement and control fire. It will focus on the prescribed burn written management plan, the most important aspect of a prescribed burn.

Day one of the workshop will focus on planning a burn. Prescribed burn specialists will break down each part of a written burn plan, discussing the specifics and importance of each section. A small demonstration burn will be conducted in the afternoon (weather permitting).

Day two will focus on developing a burn plan. Specialists will present a case study, and participants will have the opportunity to build a plan using the case study. A large demonstration burn will be conducted in the afternoon (weather permitting).

Each day will also include a detailed explanation of the equipment used for prescribed burns.

There is no registration fee, and lunch will be provided. For more information or to preregister, please visit www.noble.org/agevents or call Jackie Kelley at 580.224.6360.

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