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MS Forestry Commission Announces 2019 Prescribed Burning Short Course Dates

Jackson, Miss. (January 14, 2019) – The Mississippi Forestry Commission will hold three Prescribed Burning Short Course sessions in 2019. Those sessions will be held in North, South, and Central Mississippi.

Prescribed Burning Short Courses are open to the public and designed for anyone wishing to become a Certified Prescribed Burn Manager in Mississippi. Due to limited space, registration is REQUIRED to attend. Visit www.mfc.ms.gov/prescribed-burning-short-course to fill out the registration form.

Session #1

Date: March 5-7, 2019

Time:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on March 5th

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on March 6th & 7th

Location:

Hilton Garden Inn – Hattiesburg
133 Plaza Drive
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Session #2

Date: June 18-20, 2019

Time:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on June 18th

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on June 19th & 20th

Location:

Southern Regional Fire Training Center – Pearl
3139 Highway 468 West
Pearl, MS 39208

Session #3

Date: September 24-26, 2019

Time:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on September 24th

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on September 25th & 26th

Location:

Hilton Garden Inn
975 Highway 12 East
Starkville, MS 39759

Upon completion of the Prescribed Burning Short Course participants will qualify to take the Mississippi Certified Prescribed Burn Manager exam on the last day of the course. Registered Foresters will earn CFE credit. In the hands of a Certified Burn Manager, prescribed burning is a safe way to apply a natural process to manage forestland. Prescribed burning is one of the most efficient and cost-effective tools available to foresters and landowners in the Southeast for understory management, fuel reduction, site preparation, wildfire risk reduction, and wildlife habitat improvement.

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About the Mississippi Forestry Commission

Established in 1926, the [Mississippi Forestry Commission](#) (MFC) protects the state's valuable 19.8 million acres of forestland from wildfire, manages approximately 480,000 acres of forested School Trust Land, and delivers quality forest management services and assistance to both rural and urban landowners. Our mission is to provide active leadership in forest protection, forest management, forest inventory, and effective forest information distribution, necessary for Mississippi's sustainable forest-based economy. Mississippi's forestry and forest products industries have a \$12.79 billion economic impact and employ almost 70,000 people. Forestry consistently ranks as the state's second most valuable agricultural commodity, right behind the poultry industry. The MFC looks forward to the continued privilege of caring for Mississippi's trees, forests, and natural resources.



The Mississippi Forestry Commission conducts prescribed burns for private forest landowners of relatively small acreages.