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Comments: I live in New Mexico and I can tell you with certainty, that prescribed burning can be a useful tool BUT if not done carefully and accurately, and by that I mean, the prescribed burn area needs to be managed and be TOTALLY extinguished before the forestry team leaves the area. No em bars, no assuming that rain or snow during the coming months will do the extinguishing for you. the US Forestry Service owes New Mexico residents millions of dollars in damages for lost land, homes live stock and livelihoods because they were careless and assume the Winter snow would do their work for them