

Fire Management on Refuges

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Red Rock Lakes NWR



St Croix WMD Biomass Utilization Project to Reduce Hazardous Fuel and Restore Oak Savanna



During – Trees are first cut then laid on the ground by a machine.



During – the trees are then chipped into a pile



A FWS employee stands atop the 900-ton pile of wood chips resulting from this project. Soon the trucks will arrive to haul the chips to the plant where the biomass will be converted to electricity and heat.





Prescribed Fire, Sacramento NWR

















Hopper
Mountain
NATIONAL WILD



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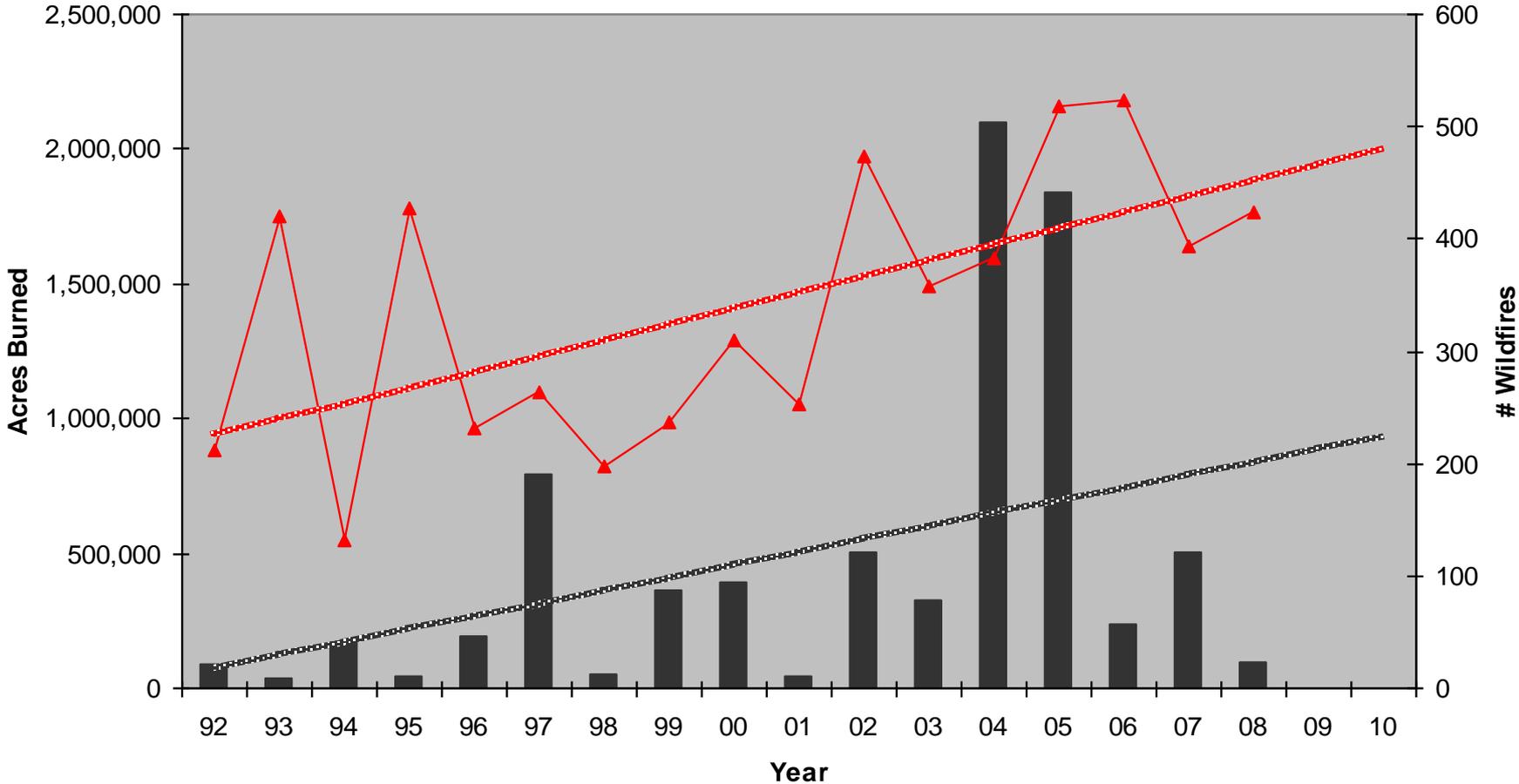




STOP

Outside San Diego NWR

FWS Wildfires and Acres Burned



■ Total Acres Burned ▲ # Wildfires - - - - - Acres Burned Trendline - - - - - # Wildfires Trendline



NATIONAL
WILDLIFE
REFUGE



UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY
PROHIBITED

Merritt Island NWR, FL







Moapa NWR



Turnbull NWR





Evans Road Fire, Pocosin Lakes NWR, 2008



Buenos Aires NWR, AZ



MS. Sandhill Crane NWR, MS



Blue Goose Development Crew, WA, 2007

What Can You Do To Help?



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

FIRE

MANAGEMENT

Prescribed Fire

Prescribed fire is a controlled fire that is set under specific conditions to achieve a specific management objective. It is used to maintain and restore natural resources, improve wildlife habitat, and reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires. Prescribed fire is a key component of many natural resource management plans and is used in a variety of ecosystems, including forests, grasslands, and wetlands.



Quivera, NWR



Southeast Louisiana NWRC



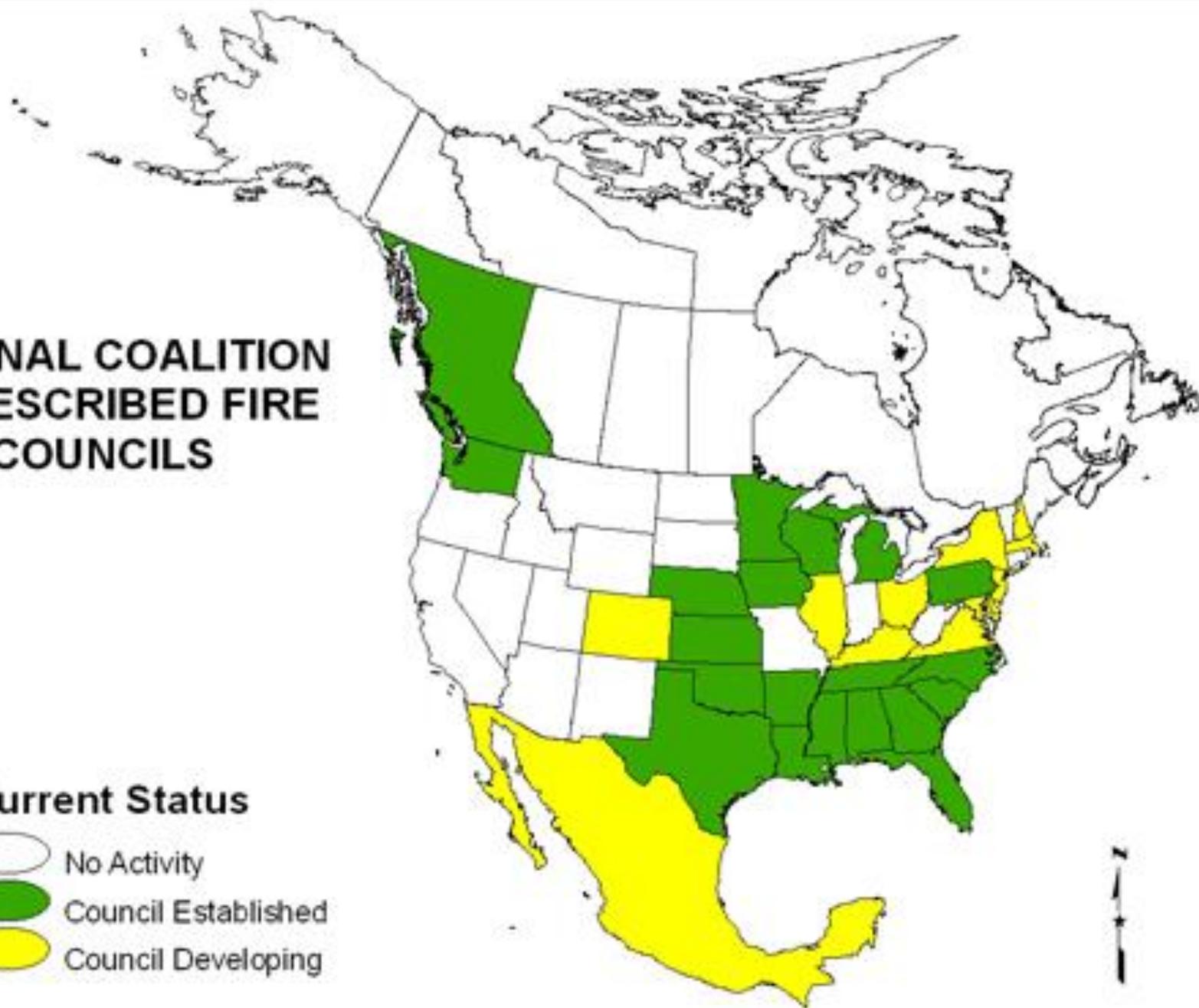
Prairie Restoration Area

Crab Orchard NWR

NATIONAL COALITION of PRESCRIBED FIRE COUNCILS

Current Status

-  No Activity
-  Council Established
-  Council Developing





Questions?

Okefenokee NWR, GA