

Dear Mr/Ms. xxxxx:

So glad to see you realizing your dreams on your land in xxxxx county .

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Wildlife Division has a Technical Guidance Program that encompasses several practices and treatments such as Prescribed Fire.

Our goal is to work with landowners to help them learn to burn their own property.

This starts with a request for Technical Guidance in the Land Management Assistance (LMA) website at <https://lma.tpwd.state.tx.us/>. Then a site visit to the landowner's property by the local Biologist and or Regional Fire Coordinator.

TPWD find a Wildlife Biologist link:

https://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/technical_guidance/biologists/

Insert local list from find a biologist

If Prescribed fire makes sense we would work with you to develop a Burn Plan that includes a prescribed fire prescription.

When conditions are right (in prescription) we would team up with you, members of your family and neighbors for the Burn Day or implementation.

The land owner is the actual Burn Boss guided by TPWD employees.

We will bring some Prescribed Fire Equipment like Fire Tools, Drip Torches, UTV's with sprayers, we hope the land owner and neighbors bring some too

We always hope a land owner is willing to invite family, friends and neighbors and make the Burn Day a bit of a workshop demonstration.

In fact, these are our top priority Burns.

Another possibility is becoming part of a local Prescribed Burn Association (PBA). These are associations of "neighbor helping neighbor" in order to safely and effectively apply fire. In this case we could still provide you with technical guidance and the burn could serve as somewhat of a workshop for the PBA as well. There may be a local PBA in your area you could check: <http://pbatexas.org/Default.aspx>

Of course, some landowners would simply like to hire the burning out. We can help identify Certified Insured Prescribed Burn Managers (CIPBM)

Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) CIPBM's:

<https://www.texasagriculture.gov/Home/ProductionAgriculture/PrescribedBurnProgram/FindaBurnManager.aspx>

Additionally, there are programs with Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and Texas Forest Service (TFS) that provide funding for Rx Fire Treatments.

NRCS Prescribed Burning

https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/tx/farmerrancher/?cid=nrcs144p2_027122

TFS Prescribed Fire Tool Box

<https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/PrescribedBurnToolbox/>

TFS Contractor List

<https://texasforestinfo.tamu.edu/MyLandManagementConnector/FindSP>

Lots to think about

If you look below my signature block there is a link to our TPWD Fire Page there is more info there
Feel free to give me a call on my cell I am often traveling but would enjoy visiting more with you

Kind Regards