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**Forest Fire Control and Forestry  
Hazard Fuels Management 2010/11**

Myles Standish State Forest  
Manual Correllus State Forest



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**DCR  
Bureau of Forest Fire Control and Forestry**

- Wildland Fire Suppression
- Prescribed Fire
- Wildland Fire Training for Town Fire Departments



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**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)**

**Southeast Mass Hazardous Fuels Mitigation and Ecosystem Restoration Project**

- DCR Awarded \$ 1.974 Million grant for project
- Duration of Project: July 2009 – June 30, 2011
- Partnership with The Nature Conservancy

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**Southeast Mass Hazardous Fuels Mitigation and Ecosystem Restoration Project**

- Wildland Fire Training for Southeast
- Prescribed Fire Plans DCR and Partnership Lands
- Provide 6 Firewise Community Programs
- Provide 20 Fire Prevention Programs
- 400 Acres of Prescribed Fire Treatment
- 600 Acres of Mechanical Fuels Treatment

**DCR Forest Fire Control  
Hazard Fuels Management 2010  
MSSF Objectives:**


- Hazard Fuels Reduction**
- Ecosystem Restoration**
- Fire Training**




**Hazard Fuels Reduction**

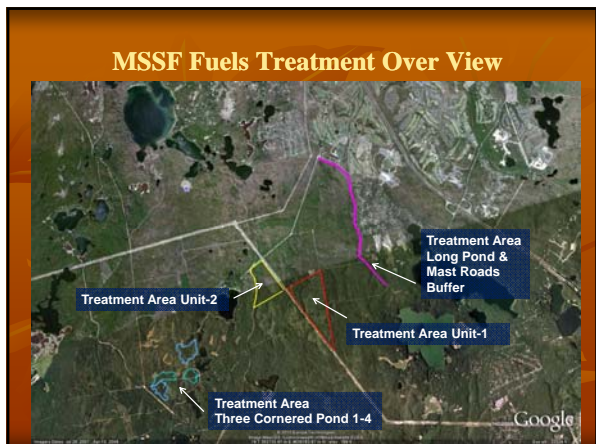
- Exclusion of fire from the environment vegetation/fuels have reached very high to extreme levels.
- Realizing the importance and need for fuel reduction, DCR has taken a proactive approach to this very important issue.
- Prescribed fire, mechanized mowing, and removal of dead and dying vegetation are just a few methods DCR has used to mitigate this problem.

Before Fire Treatment



After Fire Treatment





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### Meeting Prescribed Fire Objectives Using Partnerships

- Resource need often require assistance from partnering agencies.

Partnering agencies assisting DCR:

- The Nature Conservancy
- Mass Military Reservation
- Mass Division of Fish and Wildlife
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Municipal Fire Departments
- NPS Cape Cod National Seashore
- Trustees of Reservation

### How We Burn

Based on fire weather, fuel conditions, topography, and resource objectives, Burn Boss will:

- Determine a starting point
- Choose Ignition Patterns
- Start with a test fire

Example: 2009 Burn Units at Myles Standish State Forest

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### Accomplishments to Date

- ✓ 13 Public Education Programs
- ✓ 14 Firefighter Trainings
- ✓ 27 Fire Prevention
- ✓ 5 Firewise and Urban Interface Programs
- ✓ 6 Community Wildfire Protection Plans

- ✓ 15 Hazard Fuel Mitigation Projects
- 340 Acres burned on State Lands
- 800 Acres burned on Partnership Lands
- 630 Acres Mechanical on State Lands

