



The Wewoka Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs conducted a 240 acre prescribed burn at the Mekuskey Mission on Friday, January 30, 2015.

The objective of the burn was to restore the health of the Oak Savanna on Seminole Tribal Trust lands by removing unwanted briar, winged elm, and eastern red cedar. Previously treated with prescribed fire on February 29, 2012, this burn will also reduce the threat from catastrophic wildfire and protect much of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Tribal services, which reside within the 240 acre treatment unit.

By removing the dense brush, this prescribed fire will improve wildlife habitat and increase wildlife diversity.

Fire personnel assisting were from the Wewoka Agency, Okmulgee Agency, Sycuan Golden Eagles, Zuni Interagency Hotshot Crew, Eastern Oklahoma Region, Oklahoma Fire Center and Mickey Douglas, EMO, Seminole Nation.

Much appreciation is given to the Seminole Nation for taking a proactive stance in the use of prescribed fire. Thanks also to an excellent burn team!



Figure 1: Squad 7 holding the northwest corner of the burn unit.