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The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) will offer a free workshop for landowners on how to effectively and safely use prescribed fire to boost wildlife habitat and reduce less desirable plant species.

The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, February 9th, at the Lake Paho Conservation Area in Mercer County. MDC staff will discuss the history of fire on the landscape, benefits from prescribed fire, planning, equipment and how to use resources from MDC and other agencies. Tips on how to organize burn teams and cooperatives will be offered.

The workshop will begin with a classroom session. If weather permits, a prescribed burn will be conducted after the classroom session. Those wishing to participate in the hands-on demonstration should bring leather gloves and leather boots.

The workshop will be held at the Lake Paho CA headquarters, 4.3 miles west of Princeton on U.S. 136 and north on Fathom Street.

The workshop is free and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is required by February 6th. To register, or for more information, contact MDC Private Land Conservationist Scott Roy at 660-359-5685, extension 114.