



Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project



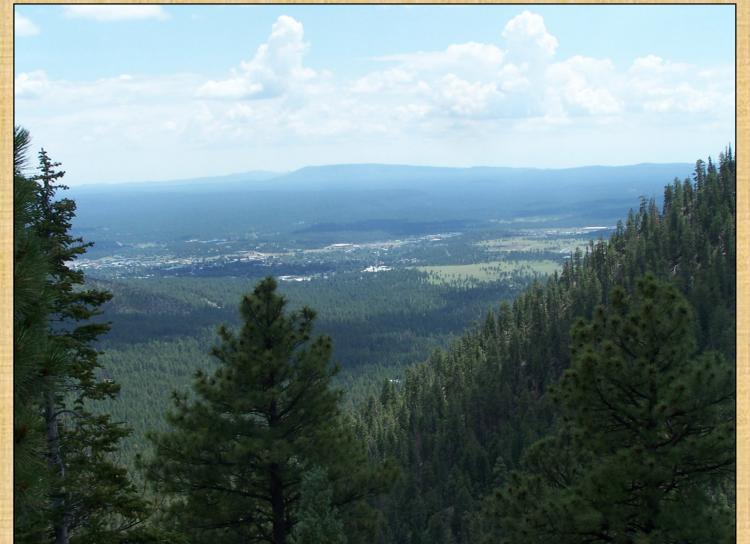
The Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project (FWPP) is a partnership between the City of Flagstaff, Coconino National Forest, State of Arizona and Coconino County to help reduce the risk of devastating wildfire and post-fire flooding in the Rio de Flag (Dry Lake Hills) and Lake Mary (Mormon Mountain) Watersheds. This project will restore forests, reduce fire danger and protect our community.

Background

- 2010 Schultz fire demonstrated the potential impacts of severe fire and flooding our community faces
- Post-fire flooding could significantly impact numerous neighborhoods, downtown, Northern Arizona University and the Lake Mary reservoir (~50% of the City's water supply)
- Forest treatments will reduce the risk of severe fire behavior and post fire flood effects
- November 2012 — \$10 million voter approved bond to support forest restoration work in two key Flagstaff watersheds
- This is one of a few examples in the country where forest health treatments in National Forests are funded by a municipality and the only known instance where such an effort is funded by municipal bonds

Project Area

- North of Flagstaff in the Dry Lake Hills
- South of Flagstaff at Mormon Mountain
- AZ State owned parcels with the City
- Treating approximately 13,500 acres



Flagstaff is viewed in the distance from high on the steep rocky slopes of the Dry Lake Hills

Timeline

- NEPA project planning is underway and will continue through summer 2014
- Some NEPA approved treatments have begun
- Project area treatments will begin in the Dry Lake Hills Watershed in Fall 2014
- Work will likely continue for the next 8-10 years.

Public Involvement

Public involvement is key to success.

We encourage the public to be actively engaged throughout the process.

Forest Treatments

Treatments may include traditional logging, hand thinning, prescribed fire or cable logging



Helicopter Logging



Mechanized Logging Equipment



Hand Thinning



Prescribed Fire

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