

# **PRESCRIBED BURN NOTICE**

**EASTERN CHEROKEE AGENCY BIA IS PLANNING TO IMPLEMENT TWO PRESCRIBED FIRES ON TRIBAL RESERVE LANDS IN THE DOBSON RIDGE & LICKSTONE RIDGE AREAS.**

**OPERATIONS COULD BEGIN AS SOON AS NOVEMBER 5TH. DAILY WEATHER CONDITIONS AND RECENT PRECIPITATION WILL DETERMINE THE EXACT DATE OF IGNITIONS. THERE MAY BE AN ABUNDANCE OF SMOKE IN THE AREA DURING THIS PERIOD. THE BIA FIRE TEAM APPRECIATES YOUR UNDERSTANDING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE DURING THESE IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES.**

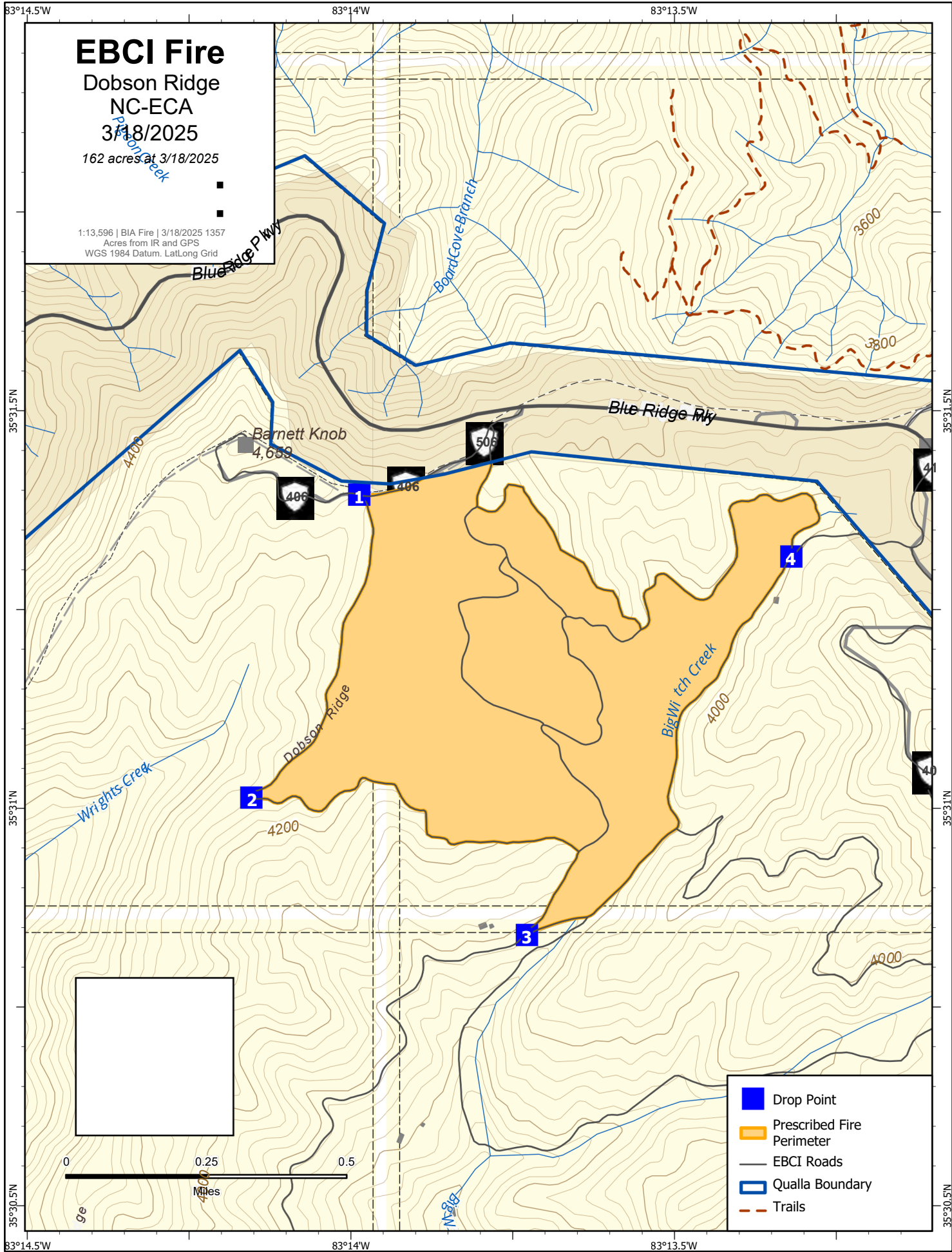
**FIRE MANAGERS WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESCRIBED BURN OPERATIONS AND THEIR SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS TO THE EASTERN CHEROKEE LANDSCAPE AND CULTURAL RESOURCES. USING PRESCRIBED FIRE AS A LAND MANAGEMENT TOOL CAN REDUCE RISK OF WILDFIRES TO COMMUNITIES AND DEVELOPED AREAS AS WELL AS BENEFIT THE ECOSYSTEM BY RENEWING WILDLIFE HABITATS AND PROMOTING ECOLOGICAL DIVERSITY.**

## **PRESCRIBED FIRE BENEFITS:**

- HELPS REDUCE THE RISK OF WILDFIRE AND PROTECTS COMMUNITIES ADJACENT TO NATURAL AREAS BY REDUCING HIGHLY FLAMMABLE VEGETATION.**
- PROMOTES AND MAINTAINS HEALTHY FORESTS, FIRE-ADAPTED ECOSYSTEMS AND EASTERN CHEROKEE CULTURAL RESOURCES.**
- MAINTAINS AND EXPANDS HABITAT CONDITIONS FOR PLANTS AND ANIMALS.**
- IMPROVES BIODIVERSITY WITHIN FIRE-ADAPTED HABITATS BY PROMOTING FLOWERING AND FRUITING OF PLANT SPECIES.**
- RESTORES FIRE TO TRIBAL LANDSCAPES THAT NO LONGER EXPERIENCE THE NATURAL HISTORIC FLOW OF FIRE DUE TO HABITAT FRAGMENTATION.**
- HELPS TO MANAGE INVASIVE PLANT POPULATIONS.**

**FOR QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT:  
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271 acres at 3/22/2025

WGS 1984 Datum, LatLong Grid

