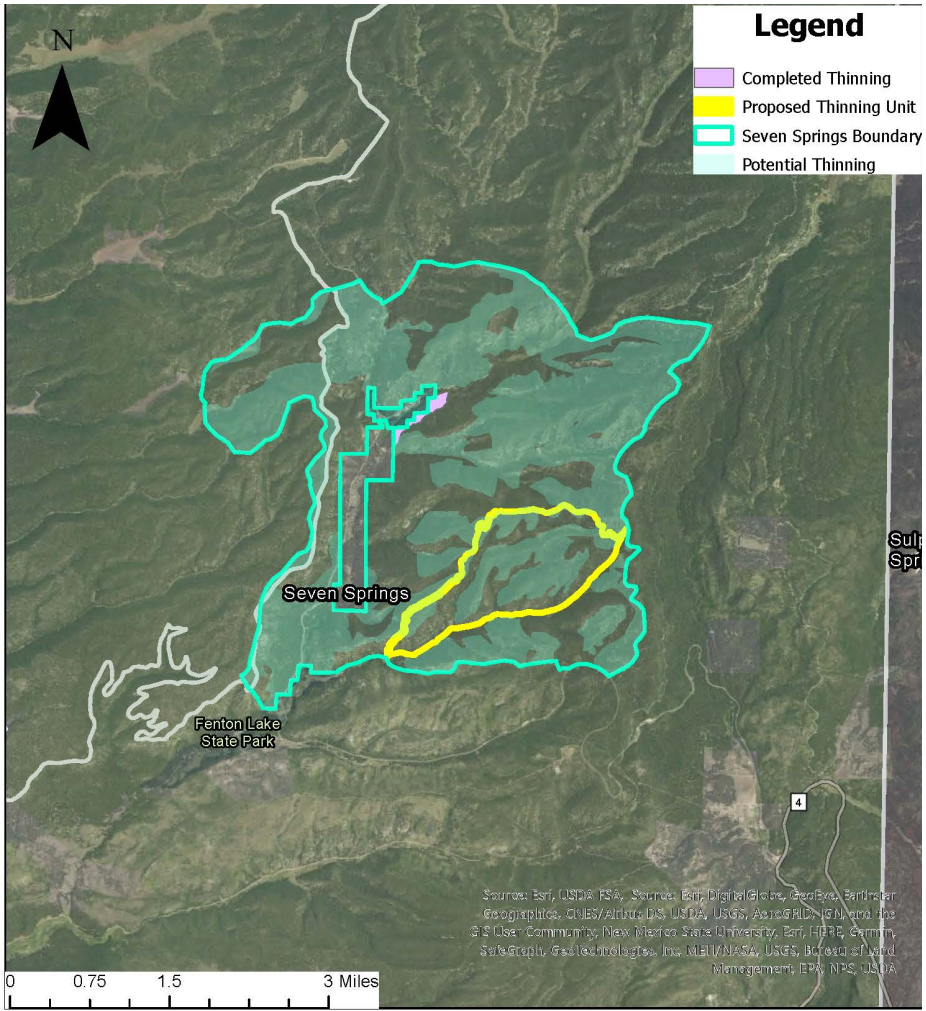

Seven Springs Landscape Restoration Project (Barley Canyon Unit)

Background Information

- The Seven Springs Project area is a forest restoration effort across thousands of acres within the Jemez Ranger district of the Santa Fe National Forest that is intended to improve wildlife habitat and forest health.
- The Seven Springs landscape ties into tens of thousands of acres of other restoration landscapes on the Jemez District, creating a truly landscape scale effort with longterm impacts.
- The USFS has identified an initial 93 acre block that is critical to the future planned effort to reintroduce fire as a management tool in this landscape. The proposed action for this block is to mechanically thin the forest and to pile the wood for a future prescribed fire.
- This treatment will set the stage for several other planned restoration actions within this landscape, which will allow for the use of fire as a management tool to improve watershed, forest, and wildlife habitat health.

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Proposed Management Action

- NMDGF, in collaboration with the USFS, will contract the thinning and piling as per USFS prescribed specifications.
- This work will be performed on USFS lands, in the 93 acre block within the Barley Canyon Thin/Pile unit.
- Projected costs for this treatment are approximately $1,500/acre at current rates for cutting and piling.
- Google earth link

Estimated Budget for HSP: $150,000