



2008 Season Report

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2008 Season Overview



The Dromedary Peak Fuels Module (Dromedary) had a successful 2008 season. Dromedary was developed to provide jobs to college students in the wildfire and rescue academy at Utah Valley University (UVU). It gives students the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the class. It becomes a rewarding challenge for the crew leadership to guide the new recruits through a meaningful job and learning experience. Most of our work consisted of fuels thinning to reduce wildfire risk in Utah's rural communities. Project assignments are scheduled with area offices of Utah Division of Forestry Fire & State Lands. Over fifty percent of our assignments were located in the Bear River Area.

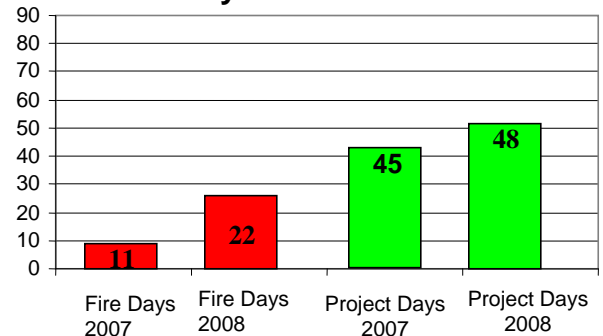


Three of the six area offices used our services requiring our Module to set up remote field camps when needed. As the season progressed, the Module developed into a cohesive team where each member performed certain tasks to maximize efficiency and effectiveness.



For most of the season, Dromedary performed brush thinning projects in such places as Duchesne County, Wolf Mountain and Brian Head. A few times we went out on initial attack, where the Module members had the opportunity to expand their experience. The Incident Commander on each fire was impressed with our Modules and would keep us on as long as possible.

**Project Days vs. Fire Days 2007/2008
Dromedary Peak Fuel Module**



Fire Assignment Summary

The 2008 season was a great opportunity to show the growth, expansion and flexibility of our module. We were able to support a prescribed burn to reduce fuel loading in northeastern Utah. We were a well-functioning module on the Mill Hollow WFU incident. The fire utilized our multiple talents in fire fighting such as digging hot line, installing hose lays and portable pumps and felling trees, as well as fuels reduction tactics. On the same incident, we were able to assist in the medical evacuation of an injured firefighter.



Dromedary peaks seasonal commitment ends when our college students prepare for the fall/winter semester. Some fuels members stay on to fill vacancies on other Lone Peak firecrews. We were able to supplement the Hotshots with two firefighters, three firefighter worked with Twin Peaks, three for UFRA and one firefighter on an Engine crew.

Our season continued with a highly publicized fire in Salt Lake's City Creek Canyon area, where we were able to cut fire line in and improved existing areas to meet fire objectives. With a short break Dromedary was dispatched to Duchesne County, where we helped control the Wagstaff fire.



Management level	Incident Type	Incident Dates	Fuel Type	Operation Periods (#) of Periods	Incident Name
4	RX	05/13 to 05/15	6,10,11,12	3	Pine Ranches
3	WFU	07/14 to 07/24	6,9,10,11	11	Mill Hollow
3	WF	07/29 to 07/31	1,2,3,4,6	3	City Creek
3	WF	08/01 to 08/05	6,8,9,10	5	Wagstaff

Project Assignment Summary



The 2008 project season was a great success. Dromedary Peak completed 11 projects, reducing hundreds of acres of foliage for fire reduction and prevention. We utilized chippers, brush hogs, chain saws and various hand tools for cleaning and clearing of areas.



We built defensible space around multiple homes, constructed fuel breaks in Pine Meadows, Fruitland, Aspen Acres, Wolf Mountain, Brian Head, and other communities. We gained vast experience with chain saws chipping operations, and increased our knowledge of fuels reduction tactics.

2008 Dromedary Peak Fuels Module

Name	Position	Duration
Josh Winkler	Fuels Module Lead	Permanent
Kyle McCaan	Squad Boss	4/1/08 – 10/31/08
Shane Fowles	Squad Boss (trainee)	4/28/08 – 10/31/08
Colby Wycoff	Lead Sawyer Alpha	4/28/08 – 10/31/08
Steven Taggart	Lead Sawyer Bravo	4/28/08 – 10/24/08
Cole Dejong	Swamper	5/3/08 – 10/24/08
Isaac Reveley	Swamper	5/1/08 – 8/21/08
William Taylor	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 8/14/08
Kevin Schaum	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 10/24/08
Kim White	member	5/1/08 – 8/14/08
Ben Hodges	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 8/14/08
Sena Robbins	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 8/14/08
(Sean) Chachuan Sukka	Fuels Module member	5/12/08 – 8/14/08
Levi Manes	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 10/16/08
Jessica Golding	Fuels Module member	5/1/08 – 6/10/08

Special thanks to all the personnel that helped fill open positions on Dromedary Peak fuels Module

Dromedary Peak Detailers	Dromedary Peak Detailers
Dave Voyles	Meredith Perkins
Keith Crumpton	

Dromedary Peak individuals were able to expand their knowledge of fire by filling open positions with other crews.

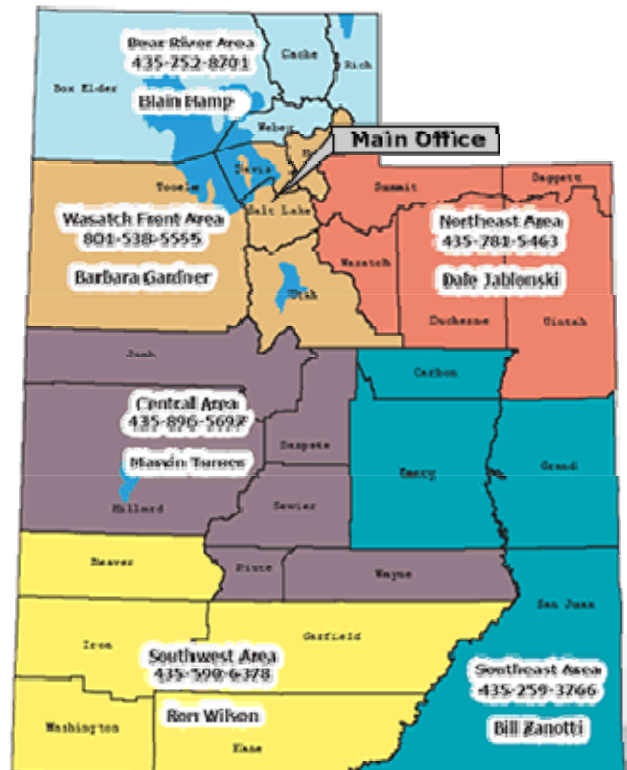
UFRA	Lone Peak Hotshots	Lone Peak Engines	Twin Peaks I.A.
Josh Winkler	Isaac Reveley	Levi Manes	Steven Taggart
Kyle McCaan	Colby Wycoff		Cole Dejong
Shane Fowles			Kevin Schaum

Season Data Summary

Start date: 05/01/08
 Dispersed: 08/14/08
 Number of fires: 4
 Number of days on prescribed fire: 3
 Prescribed fire hours: 29
 Total days on Type III/IV/V incidents: 22
 Number of days on WFU incidents: 11
 Number of days on WF incidents: 8
 Hours of fire O.T.: 145
 Base (40) on fire: 106
 Hazard pay hours: 222
 Total fire hours: 251
 Number of days on project: 38
 Projects: 11
 Total project hours worked: 379
 Number of career personnel: 1
 CRWB task book completed: 1
 FFT1/ICT5 task book completed: 1

Percentage of project work based on area.

Bear River area office. 55%
 Northeastern area office. 37%
 Southwestern area office. 9%



2008 Dromedary Peak Fuels Module Photograph



Standing (left to right): Josh Winkler, Kevin Schaum, William Taylor, Shane Fowles, Kyle McCaan, Colby Wycoff, Sena Robbins, Sean Sukka, Steven Taggart, Isaac Reaveley, Levi Manes. Sitting: Kim White, Jessica Golding, Cole Dejong.

Picture Taken At The Pines Ranches Prescribed Burn.