



## Zion Lodge Fuel Reduction Project

*This fuel reduction project is one of many planned for Zion in the next few years as part of Fire Management's overall goal to reduce the hazardous fuel accumulations around buildings and structures in the park.*

**Objectives:** To provide for visitor and firefighter safety and protect park structures and resources in the event of a wildland or structural fire.

**Location:** To the north and south of the Zion Lodge Complex in Zion Canyon.

**Size:** 36-acre project area.

**When:** The project will be ongoing through the spring and summer of 2003.

**Method:** This is a mechanical fuel reduction project performed by a local crew contracted with the National Park Service. It involves the removal of dead fuels from the area, both standing and on the ground. These fuels will then be either hauled away for disposal or piled in place for future burning. Selected dead ground fuels and snags may be left as wildlife habitat if they do not pose a safety threat.

**Safety:** Visitors should stay clear of the project area due to possible hazards from falling snags and chainsaw operation.

**For more information on Fire Management in Zion:** 435-772-3256



Hazardous fuel accumulation near Zion Lodge



Debris piles to be burned under favorable weather conditions



Hazardous fuels near Lodge structure