

Creative Biomass Utilization Provides for Fire Reduction and Fish Housing.

The Lake Havasu Field Office manages seventy-eight “boat in” campsites which are used heavily by visitors especially during Arizona’s fire season. In an effort to reduce the potential for fire starts, hand crews were tasked with clearing hazardous fuels in and around campsites. The fuels that are removed from the campsites are bundled and then sunk into the lake to create cover for native aquatic wildlife. Both the BLM and visiting campers will benefit from the added protection from wildfire, while anglers and native fish benefit from the creation of habitat. The Lake Havasu fisheries program helped to provide the materials, boats, and operators for the project. By employing biomass utilization as a tool, the BLM has saved money on disposal fees, personnel, and planning dollars to burn the piles.

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Members of a hand crew work to reduce fuels near campsites and the water's edge.