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Skies cleared just long enough for the FERA and Forest Guild crews to complete the third of six treatments in the JFSP funded experiment to examine the effects of burning piles of different ages in different seasons. Abnormally dry fall weather and wildfires in Washington turned wet almost overnight, but a short break in the wet weather allowed us to burn piles at the Washington site on November 1. FERA cooperator Zander Evans was able to acquire permission from the Governor's office to burn the piles at the New Mexico site in coordination with the fire crew from the Santa Clara Pueblo on November 15. The next burning treatment will occur in the spring of 2013. Preliminary data and results from this study will be presented at the 5th International Fire Ecology and Management Congress in Portland, OR this December.