

MERA Red Apple Forest Improvement Project 2022

Phase I Forecast

The Union County Commissioners accepted the bid by ReedCo Inc. at the County Commission meeting on January 5, 2022 for forest thinning and mastication on approximately 300 acres of MERA. The project will primarily take place during the winter months of 2022 and 2023 to utilize frozen and snow covered conditions that will help in the protection of resources.

ReedCo Inc. has adjusted project plans because road conditions on Apple Drop are not ideal for heavy equipment at this time. Project focus is shifting to the northern end of the project area. Access from the Upper Igo Trailhead has been opened to allow heavy equipment access. Project work will start near Intersection 2 and proceed to the northern boundary of the unit. Heavy activity is to be expected for the next 4 weeks. Log hauling can be expected to begin January 21, 2022 and will be utilizing Igo Lane.

Trail access will be impacted on Archer Lane, MERA Loop, Lower Hotshot, Skills, Bridleway, Gateway and others as signed. Signage will be placed to direct the general public away from any danger, some trail closures are to be expected for safety. Sorry for the inconvenience!

Project updates will be posted at <https://union-county.org/>

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Updated 1/17/2022

Mera - Red Apple FIP

Treatment Unit 1 in Red
Treatment Unit 2 in Blue

Update 1/17/2022

Phase I
Project
Area

Haul Route
Igo Ave

Mt Emily Recreation Area



3000 ft

