

## **Effects of Late Summer Burns on Sericea Lespedeza.**

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Researchers at The Nature Conservancy's Tallgrass Prairie Preserve in Oklahoma conducted a pilot study between 1996 and 1999 to determine the effects of late summer burns on sericea lespedeza (*Lespedeza cuneata*). They found that late growing season burns significantly reduced adult plant stem count and seedling density compared with unburned plants. Hamilton suggests that researchers continue to investigate using late summer burns to control sericea, especially as part of an integrated program with follow-up grazing or spot herbicide treatments.