



News Release

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Prescribed burn at Pace Bend Park tomorrow

Travis County Parks plans to conduct a prescribed burn at Pace Bend Park between 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. tomorrow. The prescribed burn will take approximately two to three hours to complete. Travis County Parks is conducting the burn in cooperation with personnel from the Lake Travis Fire Rescue, Pedernales Fire Department, Pflugerville Fire Department, LBJ Wildflower Center, and the Texas A&M Forest Service.

The prescribed burn includes 100 acres of grasslands and woodlands and will help maintain these plant communities by removing invading shrubs, reducing the number of exotic species, and enhancing the health and diversity of the native plant community.

The fire can be completed with any wind direction; however, predicted northerly winds will carry the smoke to the south across portions of the park and communities to the south, including portions of Lago Vista. Some smoke impacts are expected to the south, but they should be relatively light and of a short duration.

The park will remain open; however, some portions of the park, specifically along the eastern side of the park, may close for all or part of Friday and into the weekend.

Pace Bend Park is located at: 2805 Pace Bend Road North, Spicewood, TX 78669.

Media note: The prescribed burn will be located along a park road, and depending on conditions, access may be granted to the media. Please call the PIO (contact listed above), or check in at the park fee booth for additional information.

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