



News Release

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Prescribed burn at Reimers Ranch Park Friday

Travis County Parks plans to conduct a prescribed burn at Reimers Ranch Park between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Friday. The prescribed burn is scheduled to take approximately three to four 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, Texas Forest Service, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

The prescribed burn includes approximately 100 acres of live oak savannahs and will help maintain this plant community 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 southerly winds will carry the smoke to the north across portions of the park and communities to the north, including the Pedernales Canyon subdivision. Some smoke impacts are expected to the north, but they should be relatively light and of a short duration.

The park will remain open; however, some portions of the park, specifically portions of the Multi-Use Trail, may close for all or part of the weekend.

Reimers Ranch Park is located at: 23610 Hamilton Pool Rd., Dripping Springs, TX 78620.

Media note: The prescribed burn is located in the backcountry, and no media will be allowed on-site due to the remote location. There will not be a PIO or staff available for interviews.

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