



News Release

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Prescribed burn at Reimers Ranch Park

Travis County Parks plans to conduct one or more prescribed burns at Reimers Ranch Park the week of December 16, 2019. The prescribed burns will take place on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 and, if conditions are favorable, a smaller prescribed burn may be implemented on Wednesday, December 18, 2019. The prescribed burns will occur between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and will take approximately three to six hours to complete.

Travis County Parks is conducting the prescribed burns in cooperation with personnel from the local fire departments and natural resource agencies.

The prescribed burns are intended to reduce wildfire danger and improve ecosystem health by removing invading shrubs, consuming dead and downed vegetation, reducing the number of exotic species, and enhancing the health and diversity of the native plant community.

The prescribed burns may be conducted with a north or south wind direction. With a north wind, the smoke will be carried to the south, across the park, nearby ranches and communities, and ultimately Hamilton Pool Road. Smoke impacts are expected to be light and of relatively short duration. With a south wind, the smoke will be carried to the north, across the park and nearby ranches and communities. Smoke is expected to be light and of relatively short duration. Some smoke impacts are expected on the west side of the Pedernales Canyon community but will be reduced further from the prescribed burn.

The park will remain open; however, some portions of the park specifically the Multi-use Trail will close for part of the week.

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

Media note: Please call the PIO (contact listed above), or check in at the park fee booth for additional information. The project is relatively remote and access will be limited.

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