



News Release

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Prescribed burn at Pace Bend Park

Travis County Parks plans to conduct a 50-acre prescribed burn at Pace Bend Park on Thursday, March 10, 2022. The prescribed burn will occur between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. and will take approximately two to four 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 burn is 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.

Southerly winds are predicted which will carry the smoke across the lake and towards communities to the north. Some smoke may be present along the western edge of the park. Smoke impacts are expected to be light.

The Park will remain open however, Pace Bend Road, Collier Boat Ramp, and the North Gracy Camping Area are expected to be closed.

Due to the location of the prescribed burn near the fee booth, traffic delays are expected.

Travis County is currently under a burn ban. Burn bans limit certain types of fire use in order to minimize the potential for accidental fires and to reduce the impact fires have on emergency responders. Burn bans do not limit all fire use (cooking, welding, etc.), and many activities are allowed with certain restrictions. Prescribed burn managers conduct prescribed burns during burn bans because conditions are favorable for meeting established objectives. Land managers, regulators and emergency responders coordinate the implementation of the prescribed burns.

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

Media note: Please call the PIO (contact listed above) or check in at the park fee booth for additional information.

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