



News Release

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Prescribed burns at East Metropolitan Park

Travis County Parks plans to conduct a prescribed burn at East Metropolitan Park the week of September 19, 2022. The prescribed burn is planned for Monday and will occur between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Travis County Parks is conducting the prescribed burn 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 expected which will carry smoke to the north towards Taylor Lane. Smoke will be present for much of the day but it is expected to be relatively light.

The Park will remain open during the prescribed burn; however, some portions of the park will be closed. We anticipate closing the part of the southern portion of the park, the disc golf course, the basketball parking area, as well as portions of the paved trail. Other areas within the park that are not closed may be impacted by smoke from the prescribed burn.

East Metropolitan Park is located at 18706 Blake Manor Road, Manor, TX 78653.

Media note: The Park will remain open. There may be a PIO or staff available for interviews. Please call the Park Supervisor (contact listed above) for more information.

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