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Recommend Title: Parks Reserve Force Training Area Conducts Controlled Burn

DUBLIN - Parks Reserve Forces Training Area will conduct a controlled burn from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Aug. 15- 22. The controlled burn is intended to reduce the fire hazards created by the dry brush allowing safe conditions for Soldiers during training. Also, it reduces fire hazards in the surrounding community.

The controlled burn is routinely conducted every year in cooperation with state, county and local fire departments which in turn allow them to train on Wildland Fire Operations. The burn will be a small, low intensity fire in the Range Areas of PRFTA. The total area burn will be approximately 700 acres.

Prescribed vegetation management burns are carefully planned and controlled burns that must meet a strict criteria of fuel conditions, weather parameters, smoke management and fire safety guidelines. When all conditions (prescriptions) are met, firefighters burn while monitoring the set criteria, fire behavior and designated fire control lines.

This low intensity fire in the natural environment has two primary purposes which are 1) to reduce the opportunity for destructive, uncontrolled fires and 2) to provide safe vegetation fire training. This area is susceptible to rapidly moving fires in the late summer and early fall. The prescribed burn will increase the defensible space for residents in the area and the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area.

Though the benefits of prescribed burning are clear, there are also notable concerns. Two of the most important concerns are the possibilities of fire spreading to adjacent properties and smoke intrusions in populated areas. Good management will reduce these concerns. The Parks Reserve Forces Training Area will be notifying the local community through different types of media (press release, website, and social media).

When burning conditions and risks are appropriate, prescribed burning is usually the preferred strategy for vegetation management to reduce the possibility of future uncontrolled, destructive fires.

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