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Prescribed Controlled Burn at Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area May 28 - 31, 2013

The 180-acre controlled burn at Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area will help reduce the invasion of non-native plants in the vernal pool areas of the park. The burn is scheduled May 28-31. Cal Fire will conduct the burn with assistance from the California State Parks Off-Highway Vehicles Division.

The invasion of non-native plants is a concern for vernal pool management. The non-native plants compete for resources with the native plants. The use of fire will help eradicate the non-native plants and will improve the overall condition of the vernal pools.

The 836-acre park, located in northeastern Sacramento County, will remain open during the burning process. Fire officials will consider temperature, humidity, wind, moisture of the plants, and conditions for dispersal of smoke before starting the burn. If the proper conditions are not met, then the burn will be delayed or postponed until safer conditions are present.



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