

CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

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Joseph D. Grant County Park Prescribed Burn

Morgan Hill – The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), Santa Clara County Department of Parks and Recreation, Santa Clara County Fire Department and the San Jose Fire Department will be conducting a 330-acre Prescribed Burn on June 18, 2018 within Joseph D. Grant County Park. This prescribed burn is being conducted as part of habitat enhancement efforts to manage invasive species of oak woodlands and annual grasslands and for hazardous fuel removal. The prescribed burn will be conducted pending favorable weather conditions and approval from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD).

The burn project is located in the Joseph D. Grant County Park located at 18405 Mount Hamilton Road, approximately 8 miles east of San Jose. The smoke will be visible from the San Jose area and south Santa Clara Valley starting on June 18th with smoke continuing to be visible through June 19, 2018. Fire resources will remain on site to monitor the burn during the night.

CAL FIRE, Santa Clara County Department of Parks and Recreation, Santa Clara County Fire Department and the San Jose Fire Department have been conducting prescribed burns for several years. Prescribed burning has many benefits for public and natural resources. These include increased biodiversity, control of noxious weeds, enhanced wildlife habitat and protection against large damaging wildland fires. All prescribed burn projects are conducted under specific weather and fuel conditions to minimize any negative impacts.

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