



air pollution control district
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



MEDIA ADVISORY
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Dangermond TREX Training Burn to Occur Tomorrow

WHAT: Approximately 30 acres will be burned. A mixture of grasses and oak woodland will be burned.

WHEN: November 13, depending on conditions.

WHERE: Along Jalama Road outside of Lompoc.

WHY: This burn is facilitated by TREX (Prescribed Fire Training Exchanges). TREX exercises bring firefighting partners together to expand their experience with prescribed burns and are facilitated independently of the Santa Barbara County Fire Department. The Santa Barbara County Fire Department will participate by providing fire contingency resources to ensure the fire is contained to the property of origin.

WHO: In partnership with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) California, and TNC North America, the burn is planned and implemented by private burn bosses in coordination Santa Barbara County Fire Department, Santa Barbara County APCD, San Luis Obispo County APCD, San Joaquin Valley APCD, Ventura County APCD, and the California Air Resources Board to minimize impacts on air quality on surrounding communities. The burn is dependent on weather and air quality conditions that are favorable to smoke dispersion. If the conditions are not as desired, the burn will be rescheduled or cancelled.

HEALTH PRECAUTIONS: Due to changing winds and weather conditions, it is difficult to predict which areas of the county, if any, may be most affected by smoke from the burn. If you smell smoke, take precautions and use common sense to reduce any harmful health effects by limiting outdoor activities. When you can smell smoke or when it is visible in your area, avoid strenuous outdoor activity and remain indoors as much as possible. These precautions are especially important to children, older adults, and those with heart and lung conditions. **Use caution when driving near prescribed burns due to reduced visibility.**

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To view a statewide prescribed burn map and other features, visit the Prescribed Fire Information Reporting System (PFIRS) website: <https://ssl.arb.ca.gov/pfirs/firm/firm.php>