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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT



Beginning tomorrow April 29, 2022, Central Pine Barrens Commission in partnership with the NYSDEC will be conducting the first prescribed fire of the season within Sarnoff West Prescribed Fire Burn Unit, located east of CR 104 and CR 31, within the greater David Sarnoff Pine Barrens State Forest in Riverside. This area encompasses the wooded areas between CR 104, CR 31, the perimeter road along the north side of the Hampton Hills Golf Club, and the south side of the Riverwoods Mobile Home Park.

This will be the first of ongoing prescribed fire operations that will be implemented within this land unit to reduce wildfire risk and increase public safety, as well as to advance ecosystem restoration and resiliency to southern pine beetle. All burns are implemented by prescribed fire professionals to ensure safety. These burns will occur at different times between now and May 31, 2022

Please use extreme caution when traveling in this area during prescribed burning operations. Reduce your speed when traveling in this area due to the possibility of diminished visibility due to smoke in the area.

Please be cautious of any fire equipment and personnel that may also be in the area.