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San Luis Obispo County



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**CAMP ROBERTS PRESCRIBED WILDLAND TRAINING AND HAZARD REDUCTION BURN
TO OCCUR MAY 19, 2021, FOLLOW UP IMPACT AREA BURN ALSO ON MAY 26, 2021**

BURNING WILL NOT OCCUR UNDER ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

The SLO County Air Pollution Control District is issuing this press release to provide the public with information in preparation for a prescribed burn at Camp Roberts in northern SLO County. Children, the elderly and those that already have a respiratory condition are the most susceptible to the health impacts of wood smoke and should use caution if they smell smoke.

- What:** Critical wildland fire training and hazard reduction burn.
- When:** Approximately 277 acres will be completed on May 19 - 22, with a follow up training and hazard reduction burn happening in the impact area May 26.
- Where:** Camp Roberts Impact Area, first burn will be in SLO County (South Base) with follow up burns spanning across SLO and Monterey counties.
- Why:** This prescribed burn is being conducted to reduce the fire hazard in the region and provide critical Statewide training opportunities for firefighters. SLO County APCD staff and involved agencies will work collaboratively to ensure that meteorological conditions are favorable so that smoke will not impact the community.
- Who:** Camp Roberts Fire, San Miguel Fire, CAL FIRE, other regional fire and local government agencies and the San Luis Obispo County APCD.

The burn is dependent on weather and air quality conditions that are favorable for smoke dispersal. If the conditions are not as desired, the burn will be rescheduled.

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