



Air Pollution Control District
San Luis Obispo County

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**WEBSTER FIRE PRESCRIBED HAZARD REDUCTION BURN TO OCCUR TODAY THROUGH
FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2022.**

BURNING WILL NOT OCCUR IF WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE NOT FAVORABLE

The SLO County Air Pollution Control District is issuing this press release to provide the public with information in preparation for a prescribed burn located on Highway 229 between Santa Margarita and Creston. 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:** Governor's priority prescribed burn to reduce potential fire hazard in San Luis Obispo County between Santa Margarita and Creston. The burn will consist of approximately 250 acres of grasslands and crushed brush.
- When:** The burn is scheduled to begin on March 22, 2022 and will continue through Friday, March 25, 2022
- Where:** Highway 229 between Santa Margarita and Creston. Potential visible smoke may be seen by the northern SLO County communities.
- Why:** This prescribed burn is being conducted to reduce the fire hazard in the region. 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:** CAL FIRE 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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