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For more information regarding the prescribed burn program at Camp Swift, contact the State Public Affairs Office at 512-782-5620 or ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

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Bastrop's Camp Swift to Perform Prescribed Burns

CAMP MABRY, Texas (Sept. 2, 2014) – The Texas Military Forces are scheduled to conduct prescribed burns within training areas on Camp Swift, a Texas Army National Guard Training Facility, in Bastrop, Texas, near Austin, beginning on Monday, Sept. 8, 2014 through Friday, Sept. 12, 2014, and again from Monday, Sept. 22, 2014 through Friday, Sept. 26, 2014, weather permitting.

The Texas National Guard's military readiness and natural resources management objectives require a comprehensive wildland fire management program aimed at protecting life and property, supporting military training and promoting ecosystem health. Prescribed burns are an integral part of this program.

The organization uses a well-designed burn plan to safely conduct its prescribed burns. The burn plan states the atmospheric and environmental conditions necessary to conduct a safe burn. Additionally it clearly defines the boundaries of the area to be burned and provides details of specific precautionary measures that must be implemented prior to each burn.

To further ensure the safety and effectiveness of its wildland fire management program, the Texas Military Forces conducts its prescribed burns in cooperation with the Texas Forest Service.

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