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Prescribed Burning at Morro Bay State Park San Luis Obispo County

What: Prescribed burning of grassland and coastal scrub.

When: Monday, October 19th through Friday, October 30th. Actual burn days will be determined by weather and permit conditions, but ignitions will last approximately 1 day. Ignitions may start as early as 7 a.m. with fire activity curtailed by approximately 5 p.m.

Where: Morro Bay State Park – the burn unit is comprised of approximately 11 acres on the northeast of Black Hill between Quintana Road, Quinn Court, and Fleming Loop Trail. The northern section of the Fleming Loop Trail will be closed during prescribed burn activities, and the remainder of the park will remain open.

Why: In order to reduce fuel loads and fire hazards as well as enhance the health of the native plant communities, and aid in the control of non-native, weedy species.

Who: California State Parks, in cooperation with CAL FIRE, Morro Bay Fire Dept. and the Air Pollution Control District. For more information, please call Dan Falat, District Superintendent, San Luis Obispo Coast District, (805) 927-2065.

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