**CONTROLLED TEST BURNS**

LED BY: Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

LOCATION: Kirchoff Prairie Restoration Site

DATE: Last Week in August

*Call for Volunteers*

* Current Target Burn Dates: Aug 26 – 28 OR Aug 30
* To volunteer contact Don Kirchoff

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* Don Kirchoff will:
  + Notify by e-mail all who express interest 48 hours ahead of selected burn date
  + Provide Directions to site (Burn Plans, Field Map on request)

*Background:*

Led by Jamie Killian, TPWD wildlife biologist for Wilson and Karnes Counties, volunteers from AAMN and students from UTSA have:

* Marked four 3-acre plots for summer test burn studies
* Completed vegetation surveys of test burn plots.

*Plans:*

TPWD Burn Crew will select burn date at end of August and:

* Burn a single acre in each of the four 3-acre plots in August 2019
* Burn the same acre plus one additional acre in August 2020
* Burn all three acres of each of the four 3-acre plots in August 2021.

*Objectives:*

* Measure responses of native and invasive species to summer burns.
* Expand burns to larger areas if responses are favorable.
* Abandon prescribed burns, if burns favor invasive species.