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ForestrySA to begin prescribed burn program in Green Triangle

ForestrySA will begin its Green Triangle prescribed burn program in coming weeks, weather permitting.

The program will involve burns in Native Forest Reserves within the region.

ForestrySA State Fire Management Officer Dave Stevens said the program would be weather-dependent.

Prescribed burns undertaken by ForestrySA in Native Forest Reserves are undertaken in accordance with ForestrySA and Native Vegetation Council guidelines.

Up to 1000 hectares of native forest area is scheduled for prescribed burns during 2009.

Mr Stevens said burns were undertaken within selected Native Forest Reserves to create and maintain a mosaic of vegetation, preserving biodiversity and modifying potential wildfire impacts.

“Many of ForestrySA’s Native Forest Reserves contain flora and fauna species of significance which can all benefit from carefully managed prescribed burning programs,” Mr Stevens said.

Prescribed burning will be carried out by experienced ForestrySA fire management staff this autumn, during mild weather.

Members of the public can expect to see columns of smoke while the burns program is in progress.

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