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LEARN ABOUT PRESCRIBED BURNING

Fire Department to host two presentations

FORSYTHCOUNTY, Georgia – Do you know the difference between a wildfire and a prescribed fire? The Forsyth County Fire Department invites you to attend an upcoming presentation and learn. The Fire Department and the Georgia Forestry Commission will host two informational presentations in April about prescribed burning. The public is invited to attend.

“We invite citizens to attend one of these presentations and learn more about prescribed burning,” Captain Jason Shivers said. “These events will outline what prescribed burning is, why and how it is done, and what the benefits are.”

The presentations will also cover the history of forest burning, the difference between wildfire and prescribed fire, and the reasons why prescribed fire is important.

“We have had dry conditions recently and I think there is a heightened awareness about the potential fire danger associated with these conditions,” Captain David McWhorter, coordinator of the Fire Department’s Wildland Unit, said. “Because of that heightened awareness, it is especially important citizens understand prescribed burning and how it can help prevent wildfires.”

The presentations will be held Monday, April 26, and Tuesday, April 27. Both presentations will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Forsyth County Public Safety Complex.

The Forsyth County Public Safety Complex is located at 3520 Settingdown Road. To receive additional information, call Captain McWhorter at 678.455.4783.

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