

Attention

A controlled burn is happening in your area.



Excuse our mess; we are building a new longleaf pine forest. The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will be burning 175 acres at Cypress Bridge Natural Area Preserve near the intersection of Route 58 and Route 58 Business. The burn will take place sometime between Nov. 19 and Dec. 30. Weather will dictate the exact date. The burn itself will take four hours, but smoke may linger in the area.

What to Expect During the Burn:

- Smoke in the air
- Visible flames
- Fire personnel in bright yellow shirts
- Fire engines and support vehicles

This burn is to help clear timber harvest debris for longleaf pine planting in the spring. Longleaf pine is native to the coastal plains of the southeastern United States and was dominant when the Europeans arrived. It was used heavily in early shipbuilding. Now longleaf pine ecosystems represent less than 5 percent of their original range. DCR is working to restore this ecosystem in its original native range.

For more information call 804-723-1074.