

Spring controlled burns planned to reduce Whitehorse wildfire risk

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The [Government of Yukon's 2022 prescribed fire projects](#) will start, weather and safety conditions permitting, along Robert Service Way on Thursday, May 5. Wildland Fire Management branch is also planning to work in:

- Trails north of Range Road and South of Whistle Bend
- Long Lake Road near the sewage lagoon
- Hidden Lakes
- Takhini North
- The Whitehorse cadet camp

People near a prescribed burn may see smoke for short periods of time. This is normal. Prescribed fire is [a strategic way of using fire](#) under lower-risk conditions to reduce wildfire danger once the weather gets hotter and drier.

By removing material near neighbourhoods that potential uncontrolled wildfires could burn, areas treated this way help firefighters suppress the fire.

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