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PUBLIC NOTICE: Prescribed Burn Pile Training

CAMARILLO, Calif. – The Ventura County Fire Department, in cooperation with Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) and the Ventura County Prescribed Burn Association (PBA) District will be conducting a small live fire training exercise on December 9th at a ranch located off of Hidden Valley Road in Thousand Oaks.

The Ventura County PBA is presenting a brush pile training course where students will learn how to properly construct and safely burn brush piles. Additional topics discussed during the course include: obtaining permits, making notifications, tools and equipment needed, and planning for contingencies. Residents in the area may see smoke, however VCFD resources will be on scene to monitor and assist with the course. If you would like additional information regarding the event or program, please call or text Battalion Chief Nick Cleary 805-504-5712 or Woody Busko 925-989-0983.

The mission of the Ventura County Prescribed Burn Association (VCPBA) is to provide the tools, training, education, and resources to conduct prescribed burns in a safe and effective manner that will reduce the threat of devastating uncontrolled wildfires. The VCPBA will utilize prescribed fire to enable participants to better manage their open space for the betterment of wildlife habitat and reduced public threat. The group is made up of dedicated private landowners, land trusts, County Fire, and other private/public partnership.

For more information regarding this VCPBA event, how to get involved in future VCPBA events, and the mission and the goals of VCPBA and other PBA's, please visit https://vcrccd.org/vcpba/.

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