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Prescribed Fires Scheduled at Little River Canyon National Preserve for April 10 – April 12, 2014

Superintendent Gail Bishop at Little River Canyon National Preserve announces a window of time for a prescribed burn between April 10 and April 12, 2014 to reduce hazardous fuels in the forested regions and to enhance native habitats. Ignition of the prescribed fire is based on weather conditions.

Slant Rock Burn Unit is located on the north side of Highway 35 and west of County Road 103. Closures during this prescribe burn include the Slant Rock campsite, backcountry roads 01, 02, 03, and 04 will occur on the day and possibility the day after the burn.

The park staff will be assisted by the Cumberland Gap National Historical Park's Fire Use Module. Prescribed fires help to decrease the impact and danger of wildfires if they occur. The National Park Service follows specific guidelines and uses extreme caution when conducting these burns.

For additional information contact the Little River Canyon National Preserve at (256)845-9605 or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/liri. Updates are available at the preserve's Facebook page.