



MEDIA ALERT

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Controlled burn on Springbank Island

The National Capital Authority (NCA) wishes to advise that it plans to conduct a controlled burn of debris from wind-blown trees on Springbank Island this weekend.

Experienced fire fighters from the ACT Rural Fire Service will conduct the burning operation to reduce the fuel load on the island.

The timing of the control burn will be determined by the weather forecast and the availability of fire crews and will be published on the NCA's website www.nca.gov.au.

The controlled burn will cause some smoke in the area. Every effort will be made to minimise the impact of smoke.

ACT Health advises that people with asthma and other chronic respiratory diseases should not perform vigorous exercise and should stay inside if affected by the smoke.

People with asthma in particular should continue their medication and consult their general practitioner if they have any difficulties.

WHAT: Burning of debris from wind-blown trees

WHERE: Springbank Island, Lake Burley Griffin

WHEN: Sunday 24 September 2017 from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm

