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COMMUNITY NOTICE: Fort Benning conducting controlled burning Feb. 6.

FORT BENNING, Ga. – The Directorate of Public Works is conducting a controlled/prescribed burn in the central portion of post today. Winds are favorable and smoke is not expected to escape post.

Today, there are only about 3 million acres of longleaf pine forests. Fort Benning is slowly replacing off-site tree species with longleaf pine, planting about 40,000 acres since 1994. Longleaf pine is a very fire-dependent species and the most disease-resistant tree of the Southern pines.

Community members may call 706-545-2238, for more information. For after hours, please leave a message. Media who would like more information on controlled/prescribed burning should call 706-545-6674 or 706-545-8970.

You may also visit the Smoke and Sound Web site at <https://ww.benning.army.mil/garrison/smokeandsound/> for maps and other information on training. Individuals who want to be notified of firing on ranges and prescribed burning may be added to the notification list by emailing usarmy.benning.imcom.mbx.web@mail.mil.

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