

Media Statement

14 May 2021

Council advising residents of planned burns taking place across weekends

Gladstone Regional Council wishes to advise that it will conduct fuel reduction burns with the Rural Fire Service at different locations across the region on the weekends of 15-16 May and 22-23 May.

Smoke may be seen in the Mount Biondello area next to Tondoon Botanic Gardens and areas near Benaraby on 15-16 May as planned burns take place within Council controlled reserves.

Further planned burns will take place on 22-23 May within Council controlled reserves located on Marrawing Road and Jono Porter Drive at Benaraby, with nearby landholders already notified.

Planned burns will only go ahead pending favourable weather conditions.

Motorists driving near these areas are asked to proceed with caution, while residents and visitors are advised to close windows and doors and keep medications close by if they suffer from respiratory conditions.

Planned fuel reduction burns reduce forest fuels which lower the incidences of wildfire and help to support biodiversity.

Please call Council on 4970 0700 if you require further information.

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