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National Key Deer Refuge prescribed burn information meeting

The National Key Deer Refuge will be conducting prescribed burns on Big Pine Key, between Wednesday Sept. 30th and Saturday October 3rd, if weather conditions are appropriate. There will be a public information meeting at 7pm, Tuesday September, 29th, at the National Key Deer Refuge Administration Building (28950 Watson Blvd, Big Pine Key). We encourage community members to attend and ask questions. The refuge prescribed burn manager will be available to answer questions regarding logistics of the burn, and our biologist can help explain why we are conducting the prescribed burns.

Community updates, up to and including when actual burn dates are solidified, and a burn occurs, will be announced through local print and radio press releases, our Facebook page, and roadside advisory signs. Visitors can find maps of proposed burn areas, in the Refuge Visitor Center located at 179 Key Deer Blvd, Big Pine Key (in the Big Pine shopping plaza across from Winn Dixie; Mon-Fri 9am -4pm, Sat 10 am-3 pm) and at our website <http://www.fws.gov/nationalkeydeer/>.

For more information, please contact Chris Eggleston at 305-872-2239 x226, or follow updates on our Facebook page: Florida Keys National Wildlife Refuges Complex <https://www.facebook.com/floridakeysrefuges>