



October 21, 2024

Dear Brown Park neighbors:

This notice is to inform you that a prescribed burn will be conducted in the Brown Park – W. 147th Street & Westwood Drive, Orland Park, IL. The burn will be conducted on one to two days between November 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024, weather permitting. Should the burn not be able to be conducted within the fall burn season due to weather, the burn will be conducted sometime between January 2, 2025 and May 15, 2025. The natural areas are outlined on the attached map. Prescribed burning is dependent on specific weather conditions, as such a more specific date cannot be provided.

Periodic burning of wetland and prairie vegetation is a standard technique for managing natural areas and is used by land managers, such as the U.S. Forest Service, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Cook County Forest Preserve, and others. Prescribed burning releases nutrients into the soil, promotes seed and plant growth, and keeps invasive woody saplings from shading out native grasses and wildflowers. This prescribed burn is part of an effort to control the presence of existing site weeds.

The prescribed burn will be conducted under an Open Burning Permit granted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The activity is permitted by the Orland Park Fire Department, who has received notice and will be contacted the day of the burn before ignition and after the burn is extinguished. The staff of V3 is trained and experienced with prescribed burns and will conduct the burn in a safe and expeditious manner.

If you have any questions or concerns about this activity, or if you or a neighbor is sensitive to smoke, please call Brad Millis at (630) 724-9200 so that we may incorporate smoke management for your location into our burn plan.

Sincerely,
V3 Construction Group, Ltd.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brad J. Millis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first and last names clearly legible.

Brad Millis
Chicago Ecological Restoration Leader