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CONTROLLED BURN ON MOUNT PLEASANT

Territory and Municipal Services wishes to advise the public that, weather permitting, a controlled burn will be conducted tomorrow, Thursday 17 April 2008 on Mount Pleasant.

Like all controlled burns, safety will be of paramount importance. Experienced fire managers, supported by trained firefighters, will conduct the burning operation.

Temporary smoke cover may occur. Every effort will be made to conduct the burn in weather conditions that will minimise the impact of smoke in the area.

Fire Crews will be working on roadsides and there may be traffic delays throughout the period of the control burn. Traffic management will be in place to ensure the safety of crews and the general public.

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.

Before burns are undertaken the Emergency Services Agency, the Australian Federal Police, Air Traffic Control, Roads ACT, and the Bureau of Meteorology are advised.

For more information, please call Canberra Connect on 13 22 81.

WHAT: HAZARD REDUCTION BURNS
WHERE: Mount Pleasant
(Handy Map Reference in the Yellow Pages, L12)
WHEN: Thursday 17 April 2008

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