

March 16, 2018

Dear Residents and Neighbors,

This notice is to inform you that the naturalized areas within Twin Lakes Park will be the subject of prescribed burn management on one to two days between March 24, 2018 and May 15, 2018, with an alternate timeframe of between November 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018. Burn management is dependent on weather conditions, so a specific date has not been set. Twin Lakes Park is located north of the intersection of N. Ardmore Ave and North Ave in Villa Park. V3 is conducting the burn on behalf of our client, the Village of Villa Park.

The prescribed burn will be conducted in a safe and expeditious manner by the trained and experienced personnel of V3 Companies. A burn plan, or prescription, will be followed that calls for quick dispersal of smoke and management of flame height. Conditions outside the burn prescription will result in rescheduling of any burns. This activity is conducted under the approval of the local fire department and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

The purpose of the burn is to improve the native plant communities by reducing the non-native weeds that invade wetlands, woodlands, and prairie areas and degrade these natural communities. Conversely, prescribed burning also promotes the germination and growth of many native plant species that are adapted to and require periodic fire to maintain healthy natural communities. Prescribed burning is a technique widely-used for the restoration and management of natural areas throughout the Midwest.

If you have any questions or concerns about this activity, or if you or a neighbor is sensitive to smoke, please call Keith Jones at 630-729-6207. Thank you.

Sincerely,

**V3 COMPANIES** 

Keith Jones

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