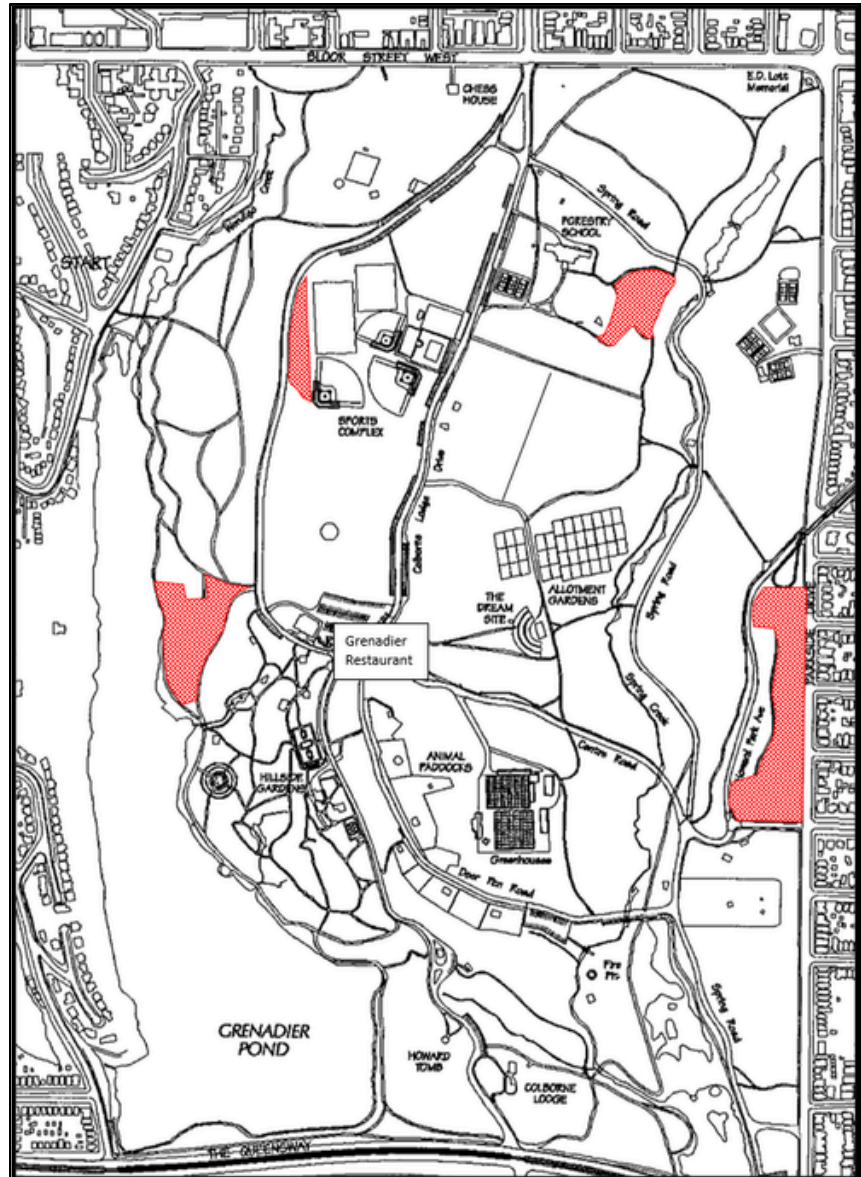


Notice to Park Users

Traditional and Prescribed burn (Biinaakzigewok Anishnaabeg) to be held in High Park and Lambton Park in early spring 2026

City of Toronto staff and burn consultants are monitoring weather and site conditions to determine the date for the annual traditional and prescribed burn. When the weather conditions are ideal, a burn date will be selected, and an updated notice will be posted in the park and on the City's website and social media at least 24 hours in advance of the burn.



During the burn, the park will be closed to vehicular traffic and some areas and trails near burn sites will be temporarily closed to pedestrians and cyclists. People with asthma and high sensitivity to poison ivy should limit their exposure by staying inside and keeping their windows closed. Anyone with a sensitivity to smoke may choose to leave the park during the burn.

Traditional and prescribed burns are part of the City's long-term management plan to restore and protect Toronto's rare black oak woodlands and savannahs. Prior to European settlement, traditional burns were used by Indigenous Peoples to steward the land. In collaboration with Indigenous Land Stewardship Circle (ILSC), Indigenous traditions are being brought back to the center of the burn. The burn holds the name of Biinaakzigewok Anishnaabeg, given by Elder Henry Pitawanakwat, meaning "the responsibility for a cleansing fire by all Native Peoples" in Anishinaabemowin.

For more information about the history of the burn, updates and a confirmed date, visit: toronto.ca/prescribedburn or scan QR code

