

# Notice for High Park

## Traditional and Prescribed Burn (Biinaakzigewok Anishnaabeg)

# THURSDAY, APRIL 23

The park will be closed to vehicles at 6:00 a.m. and will reopen in the early evening, after the burn is complete.

The prescribed burn ignition will occur at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Park access will be limited near active burn sites, with portions of multi-use trails being temporarily closed to cyclists and pedestrians throughout the day.

The burn may produce large amounts of smoke in the park. Individuals with asthma or who are highly sensitive to poison ivy are advised to close windows and to stay out of the park on the day of the burn.

In collaboration with Indigenous Land Stewardship Circle, 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 burn by all Native Peoples” in Anishinaabemowin.

This burn is part of an ongoing practice to care for the land, specifically aimed at restoring the Black Oak savannah ecosystem.

For more information visit:  
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