

# W. GOODRICH JONES STATE FOREST

## Dear Neighbor,

Texas Forest Service soon will be conducting standard forest management activities at the W. Goodrich Jones State Forest. As a result, foresters will restrict access to parts of the forest over the next several months as weather permits to complete the work.

We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause. We assure you the work is being done with two goals in mind: maintaining forest health and ensuring community safety.

— The W. Goodrich Jones State Forest Team

### PRESCRIBED BURNING

Wildfires can destroy homes, natural resources and wildlife habitats.

Controlled fire reduces brush and debris in the forest, which in turn lessens the threat of wildfires and promotes healthy forests.

### MECHANICAL MULCHING

Mechanical mulching is used in areas where burning isn't feasible.

Brush and debris are mulched into fine chips and then spread on the forest floor where it decomposes and no longer is a threat.

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

*Texas Wildlife & Woodland Expo/Spring Fling*  
March 26, 2011  
<http://expo.tamu.edu>

*Texas Master Naturalist Training*  
Starts March 19, 2011  
[www.heartwoodtmn.org](http://www.heartwoodtmn.org)

### GOT QUESTIONS?

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## **DON'T GET BURNED!**

**TAKE THESE STEPS TO PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM WILDFIRES:**

- Remove leaves and pine needles from around homes, decks and fences.
- Prune low-hanging branches, as well as those over the chimney.
- Dispose of cuttings and debris promptly and follow local regulations.

Learn more about protecting your home from wildfires at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org).





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