



Wildfires

Wildfires can happen any time of the year. Most wildfires are caused by careless burning, and they ravage forests, communities, and property.

When wildfires threaten, you may see smoke drifting across the highway, or be distracted by emergency vehicles or distant blazes.

Prescribed Fires

Planned and managed by forestry professionals, prescribed fire is an excellent tool in the management and protection of forest land.

Specifically, they:

- Reduce wildfire impact by eliminating excess fuel
- Enhance wildlife habitats by nurturing healthy wildlife populations
- Provide ecological maintenance & restoration of critical ecosystems

Where There's Smoke... There's Fire. And Every Type is Cause for Caution.



What to Do

If you're driving and encounter smoke, remember:

- Slow down
- Turn on low-beam headlights
- Don't tailgate
- Turn on emergency blinkers and pull over if smoke/fog impairs your vision
- Call *GSP (Georgia State Patrol) on your cell phone to report any hazard



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