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Luke AFB controlled burn in preparation for Luke Days

LUKE AIR FORCE BASE, Ariz. – At approximately 1:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026, Luke Air Force Base will be conducting a controlled burn as a public safety and fire prevention measure in preparation for Luke Days pyrotechnics.

The 56th Fighter Wing will be working in coordination with the Department of Forestry and Fire Management, who will perform the controlled burn. Members of the Luke AFB Fire Department will be on-site to oversee the operation and provide support.

Controlled burns are a critical tool for wildfire prevention. By proactively clearing dry vegetation and undergrowth in a controlled manner, the base significantly reduces risk of brush fires, ensuring a safer environment for the thousands of visitors expected for Luke Days.

“Public safety is our top priority as we prepare to welcome the community for Luke Days,” said Maj. Robin Walton, 56th Civil Engineer Squadron director of operations. “This controlled burn is a proactive and essential step to mitigate fire risk, protect the natural resources on base, and ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone attending the airshow.”

Luke Days is a free event open to the public, occurring March 21-22, 2026. At a time when American airpower is actively shaping the fight overseas, Luke Days gives the public a firsthand look at the Airmen and training that generate air dominance every day.

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